

# LINER SUNK--MANY LIVES LOST

FATE OF AMERICANS ON BOARD HAS NOT BEEN LEARNED

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### NEW CRISIS LOOMS UP FOR U. S. BULGARS TO ATTACK ALLIES AT SALONIKI

#### RELATIONS WITH THE CENTRAL POWERS IN DANGER

Washington, Jan. 1---Destruction of the British liner Persia with possible loss of American lives, throws relations between the United States and the Teutonic powers into a new danger.

Coming almost at the hour when a satisfactory adjustment of the delicate situation was at hand by Austria's acceptance of the cardinal points of the American demands in the Ancona case, this new element threatens to complicate affairs with Austria as thoroughly as the destruction of the Lusitania exchanges, brought on a renewed crisis with Germany.

From such incomplete information as was at hand today, the two situations are regarded as almost parallel. It was generally assumed in official circles that the case in the crisis with Germany, the Austrian admiralty and the Vienna foreign office are

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The Young Lady Across the Way

1916 A YEAR OF VICTORY  
Paris, Dec. 31.--"Nineteen hundred and sixteen will be a year of victory," says President Poincaré in a message of the "officers and soldiers of France," which is being distributed along the whole front tonight. The message, which is one of great simplicity, expressed the confidence of the entire nation in its defenders.

#### CRIPPLED GREEK STEAMER HAS BEEN FOUND

Newport, R. I., Jan. 1---A message from an unidentified steamer picked up by the radio station here early today stated that she had taken the disabled steamer Thessaloniki in tow and was proceeding to New York. Because of weather conditions the name of the vessel and her position could not be learned.

The message said that the Thessaloniki was short of "steaming water" which indicated serious engine trouble. The coast guard cutter Seneca had reported during the night that she was still trying to locate the Thessaloniki but had been unable to get in touch with her.

#### "BABY WEEK" IN MARCH

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1---Plans for a nation-wide observance of "Baby Week" during the first week of March are rapidly maturing, according to an announcement today by the federal children bureau. More than four hundred communities, representing every state are already making preparations for baby week.

#### FINE RAILROAD RECORD

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 1---The Pennsylvania Railroad Company in a statement published today announced that of 361,573,114 passengers carried over the entire system during the past two years not a single one was killed as the result of a train accident, while it was the third successive year without a fatal accident to passenger on the lines east of Pittsburgh.

Approximately 2,400,000 passenger trains were operated in the two year period.

In a new years greeting to employees, General Manager Long said: "You have made a record for safe railroading which, I believe has never been equalled, and in this great honor every employee shares."

#### HEAVY SNOW IN COLORADO

Grand Junction, Colorado, Jan. 1---Western Colorado today is in the grip of one of the worst snowstorms in years. An average of 23 inches of snow covers the Grand Valley.

#### FOUND DEAD IN RESERVOIR

Cincinnati, Jan. 1---Chas. C. Richardson, 52, former county auditor and prominent republican politician, was found dead in a reservoir near his home today. Friends say his death was accidental. He was president of the Richardson Paper company.

#### PORTSMOUTH FOR US

Washington, Jan. 1---With a temperature of 24 degrees below zero, Lander, Wyo., is the coldest spot in the country.

#### Match Is Off

Chicago, Jan. 1---The ten round contest between Jess Willard, the heavyweight champion and Fred Fulton, of Rochester, Minnesota, which Thomas S. Andrews, of Milwaukee planned to stage on February 22, has been declared off.

Andrews, it was announced today, had offered a \$25,000 purse for the match.

Berlin, Jan. 1---Russian forces which have been conducting an important offensive movement in Eastern Galicia have been flanked and repulsed, the war office announced today.

where there have been a number of disturbances in the last few weeks. Both the horizontal and vertical seismographs recorded the shocks and a good record was obtained. Government stations have not yet announced their data.

#### RECKONING WILL BE THOROUGH

Berlin, Jan. 1---(Via London)---A Budapest dispatch to the Tages Zeitung says Premier Radoslavoff of Bulgaria made the statement at a conference of leaders of the government party before the assembling of parliament that military operations against the British and French at Saloniki would be inaugurated in a short time. The reckoning, the premier said, would be thorough.

#### WILSON IS HOST AT RECEPTION

Hot Springs, Virginia, Jan. 1---President Wilson's plans, called for a quiet New Year's Day. His reception at five o'clock this afternoon in the hotel rooms to his fellow guests and people from the surrounding country was the most important feature of the New Year celebration. The news of the President's reception was spread widely and almost every one within reach planned to shake hands with the nation's chief executive and his wife. The president slept late today, after watching the old year out. He planned to spend much of the day playing golf and in taking an automobile ride with Mrs. Wilson.

Paris, Jan. 1. The American consul, Jean E. Kehl, has taken over the interests at Saloniki of the Austro-Hungary, according to the correspondent at Athens of the Havas News Agency.

#### QUIET AT NATION'S CAPITOL

Washington, Jan. 1---New Year's Day in the national capitol was unusually quiet with President Wilson away and congress in holiday recess. There was no reception at the White House in the absence of the president and his bride and the annual diplomatic breakfast by the secretary of state to the diplomatic corps was omitted. Secretary Lansing also was out of the city.

#### ENCOURAGE DELEGATION

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1---Congratulations called by the chief executives of Latin American republics were read today by the Pan-American scientific Congress by the chairman of the official delegations, without exception the tone of the messages was one of friendliness and co-operation and served to encourage those from the many countries who are working for increased Pan-American unity.

#### Billy Butt In Times Weather Man



Don't look for any weather dope from me today, cause you ain't gonna get it. Me and my assistants in Columbus and Washington are layin' off today tryin' to rehabilitate the old time custom of New Year's callin' and have no time to fool away on just mere work. You'll have to guess the weather or take it as it comes till Monday.

### U. S. CONSUL AND 2 OTHER AMERICANS ON BOARD SUNKEN SHIP; ONLY FOUR LIFEBOATS ABLE TO BE LAUNCHED

London, Jan. 1---The British liner Persia was sunk Thursday afternoon at one o'clock and most of the passengers and crew were lost. Robert McNeely, American consul at Aden, was a passenger on the Persia.

In addition to Mr. McNeely, two other Americans are known to have been passengers on the Persia when she left London. Charles H. Grant was on his way from Denver to Gibraltar. Rose probably landed at Gibraltar and was not on board the boat at the time she was sunk.

In addition to the passengers who sailed from London, a number embarked at Marseilles. The total booked at these points was 231. Of these 87 were women and 25 children. Lord Montague was on the passenger list.

A message from the admiralty to the Peninsular and Oriental company, owners of the liner, makes the definite announcement that the Persia was torpedoed.

Sixty-one first class passengers and 83 second class cabin passengers, including eight children, boarded the steamer Persia at London, according to information obtained at the company's line. At Marseilles 35 of the first class and 32 of the second cabin boarded the boat.

The company estimates that after deducting the number of passengers leaving the ship at her various ports of call about 160 passengers were aboard when the vessel was sunk.

The Persia was a steamer of 7974 tons gross. She was owned by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation company of London. She sailed from Bombay November 14 for London and was last reported as leaving Gibraltar on December 2.

LIFE BOATS PICKED UP  
The Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Co., stated officially this afternoon that the Persia had left London December 18 and Marseilles, Dec. 26, carrying British mails bound for Bombay and that she was sunk in the eastern Mediterranean off the Island of Crete. Only four boats got away from the ship. These boats were picked up by a steamer bound for Alexandria and the survivors were expected there this morning. The names of the passengers saved have not yet been received. They will be published as soon as possible. The company's statements says that it is feared that the loss of life among the passengers will be heavy.

Every effort is being made by Consul General Skinner to get some information about Robert McNeely, the American consul at Aden, and the two other Americans known to be on the passenger list. The British admiralty informed Mr. Skinner it had no information with regard to the fate of individual passengers. Mr. Skinner sent a cablegram to the American consulate at Alexandria requesting the consul to ascertain the fate of Consul McNeely and the other Americans.

Charles Grant, who was a passenger, came from Boston, Mass. Lord Montague was proceeding to India to assume the post of inspector of mechanical transport vessels. He appeared in the list of New Year honors, being given the order of the Star of India, for services in connection with the war. Official of the Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Co. announced today that Persia carried no war material.

London, Jan. 1.---The officers on board the Persia, it was learned, (Continued On Page Six)

The Times Extends A Happy New Years Greeting To One And All.

# EXCELSIOR IS TURNING OUT 4,300 PAIRS OF SHOES PER DAY

"We are making 4,300 pairs of shoes in our new plant and have made arrangements to take care of a substantial increase in our business during 1916," said Grant Williams of the Excelsior Shoe company Saturday.

"The year looks like it would be a normal one and possibly a little better and for that reason we want to be in position to turn out just as many shoes as our orders will call for."

Mr. Williams stated that the 4,300 shoes per day were being made in the local plant, the Ironton branch being used for fitting purposes.

**Vicious Dog**  
Officer Grant Goings was called to No. 627 Front street, Saturday, to dispatch a vicious dog.

## CALLED TO SEE MAYOR

Among the notable visitors at the mayor's office New Year's day was Col. Valentine Prestenbach, a well-known West End citizen. He gives the city building a wide berth, excepting when the Republicans are in power, and then is always one of the early birds on "inauguration day." Much to his disappointment, Mayor Kaps was not on hand to greet him.

## COMMISSION TO ELECT

New York, Jan. 1.—John Heydler, secretary of the National League, announced this afternoon that a meeting of the National Commission would be held at Cincinnati Jan. 3, when officers for the commission would be elected and other business transacted.

The commission, at that time, will also determine the place and time of meeting for the so-called "Peace Committee," which is arranging the details of settlement of the recent war between organized base ball and the Federal League.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

The distinction of securing the first marriage license in Scioto county in 1916 goes to George Clark Appier, 25, a bricklayer of this city, and Angie Duncan, 27, also of this city, who secured their license to wed about 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning. They were united in marriage by Rev. George P. Horst, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church.

Putting it up to Father.  
After several unsuccessful attempts to draw her husband into conversation at the restaurant, the wife discovered the cause of his abstraction to be a beautiful girl dressed in black and seated at a nearby table.

"An attractive widow," observed the wife coolly.

"Yes, indeed, a very attractive widow," agreed the husband enthusiastically.

"Yes," sighed the wife. "I wish I were one."—Ladies' Home Journal.

## IT'S WORTH YOUR WHILE

to safeguard your health against an attack of Colds, Grippe, or general weakness, and a trial of

## HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

will help you very materially. Be sure to get a bottle today.

## SELLING CONDITIONS ARE MUCH IMPROVED

The outlook for the coming year at the Selly Shoe Company's plant is very encouraging, according to the statement of the officials New Year's afternoon.

The firm is now turning out over 6,000 pairs of shoes daily, which is a fine showing, when reckoned with conditions during the past year.

Selling conditions are considerably improved in every section of the country, except along the Pacific coast, where they have been subnormal for some time. The firm looks forward to a prosperous year, which is one of the encouraging signs of the new year.

**Seek a position through TIMES WANT ADS.** Employers of labor read them carefully.

## 3,000 PAIRS IN DREW PLANT

"Three thousand pairs of shoes are now being made in our Front and Eleventh street factories," said Wade Kennedy of the Irving Drew Shoe company Saturday. "The new year looks very bright for our business and we are planning to take care of a big increase over last year. Our semi-annual shoe congress held this week was a big success and the salesmen will take the road in the spring with the best line we have ever turned out."

## SERBIAN REFUGEES, PANIC STRICKEN, ARRIVE AT THE ROUMANIAN BORDER



Serbian refugees arriving at Severin, Roumania, near border.

The plight of poor Serbia and her people is said to be even more frightful than that of Belgium. The old men, the peasant women and children fled before the invading Teuton and Magyar hosts across the Rumanian border into Severin, Roumania, the photograph showing them arriving at that place. The Austrian consul tried to induce the refugees to return to Serbia, promising that they would not be molested and would be paid seven francs a day by the Germans if they went to work digging trenches. About 700 returned, but the promise was not kept. Instead they were sent to Austria as prisoners of war.

## CROSS OF WAR ON FRENCH FLAG WHICH COVERED BODY OF YOUNG AMERICAN WHO DIED FOR FRANCE

Paris, Jan. 1.—The cross of war on the grave until the end of the war was pinned upon the French flag which covered the body of Richard Hall, a Dartmouth graduate, who was killed early on Christmas morning by a German shell while driving an American ambulance on a steep, shell-cratered road near Hartmann's Wellerkopf.

A letter of condolence from General Joffre, the French commander in chief, has been sent to Robert Bacon, president of the committee of the American hospital at Neuilly.

A. Platt Andrews, inspector general of the American Ambulance in the field has returned to Paris from Alsace where he attended the funeral of the young volunteer.

"Hall was killed," Prof. Andrews said, "with honors of war in an Alsatian valley which once more belongs to France and in which our American ambulances are working among Great Green luges torn by shells and swarming soldiers."

"His grave is a crowded military cemetery, is next that of a French officer who fell the same morning. It bears the brief inscription: 'Richard Hall, an American who died for France.'"

Simple mountain people in the town where a few days ago only a few German soldiers were still wandering to the grave many wreaths of native flowers and Christmas greenery. These people have lived now for nearly a year and a half in danger of their own lives and in daily contact with the dead and dying.

But the sacrifice of this modest, devoted young American has found a place in their heart and his brother, Louis Hall, walked with him at least three families that they would keep flowers

on the grave until the end of the war when they hoped Hall's party could visit it.

"Hall was killed by a stray bullet at a lonely farm in the road up the mountain which German guns shelled intermittently to reach. His big car was demolished and swept off the road. The shell struck him several times before day broke and a number of his comrades, crawling in ambulances up and down the mountain past the spot before the morning revealed the occurrence."

"Like Doyle, who at first was reported wounded at the same time, was in fact struck in the arm by a shrapnel splinter five days before. The first and station where he and other members of the ambulance station were stationed was under fire and every one was forced to seek safety in a house proof against shrapnel, the door of which a nearby sentry had been shot off."

"The funeral service for Hall was held in a little Protestant chapel, the pulpit down the valley, usually attended by many officers and soldiers and natives of the valley, but today reserved for the American soldiers who were the American who died for France."

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# OHIO ABOUT AT STAND

## BULLETIN

It was stated at the local wharves Saturday afternoon at 3:15 that the Ohio river had been hovering about a stage of 46.7 ft. for several hours, indicating that the stream was practically on a stand. The river was falling as far down as Point Pleasant Friday night.

At 9:45 Saturday morning the Ohio river here, according to Local River Observer Harry Donnelly, stated that the Ohio was rising at the rate of approximately half an inch an hour and that the gauge showed a stage of 46.6. On account of New Year's Mr. Donnelly says he will probably not receive a report from up river points today. He stated that Forecaster Deveraux of Cincinnati states that the Ohio river would probably reach a stage of 47 feet here.

## BIRTHS

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bateman at Harrison Furnace, on Saturday morning.

## The Best That Could Be Done Under the Circumstances

By F. A. MITCHEL

Margaret Brierley was brought up by a couple of maiden aunts, sisters, who were well off and intended that after their death Margaret should have their belongings. These were in part a comfortable house and grounds in the village, in which they lived. Margaret proved an apt scholar and was graduated with honor. Since life with her aunts was very dull she yearned for something livelier. After a year of "sitting around holding her hands," as she expressed it, she determined to go to the city to teach. Her aunts combated her resolution. They reminded her that they had cared for her since she was an infant, educated her and given her everything she wanted. All in vain. One morning when Aunt Sarah went into her room to awaken her the bird had flown. Three years passed, during which there was no communication between the aunts and the niece. Margaret was getting on well as a teacher when she fell ill. Having no means to provide a substitute for her school duties, she was dropped from the salary roll. Then the poor girl began to regret that she had yielded to the impulse to be independent. Nothing remained for her but to go back to her aunts and ask their forgiveness and help.

Taking advantage of a slight rally, she spent her last funds for a railway ticket to her former home. She arrived at the house as darkness was falling. How comfortable everything looked! There were the dairy white house, the porch and lattice covered with vines, the flower garden to one side, the kitchen garden in the rear, the whole inclosed by the low picket fence. She went as fast as her condition would permit up the walk, opened the door and entered. All was still. "Aunt Elizabeth!" she called, with no reply.

"Aunt Sarah!" Still no answer. She went through the house, but found no one. Thinking that her aunts had gone out, she took off her wraps and sat down in the living room before the open fireplace, in which were live coals.

Presently she heard the front door open and shut. She arose, intending to greet her aunts. Instead a young man entered. Seeing her, he paused. "Where are my aunts, Misses Elizabeth and Sarah Brierley?"

"Are you Margaret Brierley?"

"Yes."

"Miss Elizabeth died a few months ago, and Miss Sarah followed her in two weeks."

Margaret sank back in her chair and covered her face with her hands. It was some time before she spoke again, then she said:

"Who lives here now?"

"I do. I am Roger Blackmore, a distant connection of the two ladies. They made me their heir."

"What shall I do?" moaned Margaret, forgetful of the presence of another.

"Have you not been successful?"

"I am ill and without a cent in the world."

"You are welcome to remain here as long as you like. I will leave you and send some one to take care of you."

"What claim have I on you?"

"I will show you."

Going to a desk, he took out a paper and handed it to her. It was the will of her aunts, leaving all they possessed to him. There was a clause stating that if their beloved niece, Margaret Brierley, ever returned in need it was their desire that the said Roger Blackmore should relieve her wants. She looked up at the heir.

"How can you relieve the wants of a woman near your own age without?"

"I think your aunts were mindful of that."

"Then why this request?"

"Perhaps they fancied?"

"What?"

"That we might pool our issues?"

"Pool our issues? What do you mean?"

"Marriage."

Margaret made no reply to this. She felt that she would be willing to marry Polyphemus for a home and rest. Presently she arose slowly and with difficulty.

"Where are you going?" asked Blackmore.

"I don't know. I can't stay here."

He went to her and gently forced her back in her chair. "The good ladies," he said, "told me that if you failed in your work they would be glad if you and I could occupy their old home and enjoy their income together."

Margaret sat silent for awhile, then looking up at him, said:

"As for me, I can do nothing else. It remains for you to decide whether or no you care to accord with the wish expressed."

Without reply he left her and went to the telephone booth. She heard him ask: "Is the Rev. Mr. Stark at home?" Tell him to come to the Slavery place immediately." Then, returning to her, he said: "You can't leave here in your present condition. If I permitted you to do so your aunts would turn to their graves. You can't stay here, alone, and I can't stay with you without scandal. You'll have to take my unworthy self. It's hard luck for you, but it can't be helped."

She put out her hand to him, and he bent down and kissed her.

The parson came, and all was well.

## MANNERS IN JAPAN.

Children Crave Candy, but Will Not Eat It In Public.

One day as I was going along the street in a Japanese town I saw a candy man sitting on a stool beside his cart fashioning delicacies with his two flying thumbs. Taking a ball of candy mixture, he would give it a few glances, a twist, dab on a red spot, and there would be a fish. Taking up another ball, he would give it a few twists, and he would have a radish. Half a dozen of these he would put into a thumb made candy plate the size of a chocolate wrapper and sell for half a cent.

Buying a plate of tiny delicacies, I gave it to a girl, expecting to see her down it in good old American fashion, but instead of falling on it greedily she made a courtly bow and tore down the street as fast as her wooden shoes would let her. I looked after her in astonishment, thinking that this upset child theory I had, and determined to try it again. So I walked until the two flying thumbs had molded another delicacy and proffered this to a second child. Down the street she flew, too, her walnut knot of hair waving excitedly.

When I bought the third delicacy I gave it to a child that was weighed down with a baby on her back and followed after while she was bobbing down the street, the baby's head rolling heavily. I found her sitting on the floor eating the stringy fish and candy radishes with many delighted sucks and appreciative grunts. Then I understood. It was not polite to eat on the street, but under her father's gray tie she was the height of form to dispose of the sweets with all the gustatory gurgles that her delighted soul wished.—Homer Gray in Leslie's.

## A FURRED TONGUE.

It May Mean Wrecked Nerves and Not a Disordered Stomach.

"I suppose that there is no more inflexible idea in the mind of the doctor than that the furred tongue is essentially an indication of a deranged stomach," writes Sir James Goodhart, consulting physician to Guy's hospital, London, in the London Lancet. Yet, according to Sir James, it is by no means always so. And he goes on to prove it by cases in his own extensive practice.

One of these was of a man in a very responsible position, a leader of men, to whom he had to give orders that had to be obeyed and from whom he had to hear much grumbling; a very hard worker and "the fastest laker I have ever struck," full of energy and playing every ounce of it. He was in splendid health, but suffered from a furred tongue and a bad taste in the mouth. In his case these were not due to the stomach at all, but to a disordered state of nerve control.

"Nervous fears and nervous tastes are common enough, and they deserve a special thought," says Sir James. He believes that man is kept sweet and wholesome largely by nervous control, and when he loses this control "the parts become fevered, the mucous membrane dries, the nerves irritate, and taste is perverted."

The men so affected are those who are nervous, anxious, hard workers, taking their work home with them to think about and dream about in bed.

## Who Got the Baby?

Once upon a time a crocodile stole a baby and was about to make a dinner of it. The frantic mother begged so piteously for the child that the crocodile said:

"Tell me one truth and you shall have your baby again."

The mother replied, "You will not give him back to me."

"Then," said the crocodile, "by our agreement I shall keep him, for if you have told the truth I am not going to give him back, and if it is a lie I have also won."

But the mother said, "If I told you the truth you are bound by your promise, and if it is not the truth it will be a lie until you have given me my child."

## Who got the baby?

So the Crocodile Kept On.

As a train stopped at a little Ohio station the passengers heard the plaintive howling of a child who was being wheeled along the platform in a crate.

"There's some one complaining, conductor," said a traveler, looking for a bit of fun.

"Not to me," answered the mild old ticket taker. "Never heard a passenger's complaint with that much sense."

## Jolt For the Hostess.

"So glad to have you here," murmured the hostess, who hadn't noticed him before. "You have certainly been the life of the party all the evening."

"I can hardly believe that."

"That is due to your modesty."

"No; it is due to the fact that I have but this minute arrived."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## Quick and Accurate.

"How about your new stenographer? Is she quick and accurate?"

"Yes, sir; she can powder her face, arrange her bracelets and fix her hair quicker than any stenographer I ever had. And do it accurately, too."—Pittsburgh Post.

## Very Different.

Brown—Did your wife cross question you when you got home last night? Jones—My cross wife questioned me.—Stray Stories.

The lives of many are ruined by the fatal error that the more one possesses the more one enjoys.

## SUFFERS STROKE

Word reached Portsmouth Saturday that Morgan Cooper, of Stony Run, suffered a stroke of paralysis Friday afternoon, and was at the point of death.

## First Arrest Made; Catsy Sly Is Victim

The first arrest of the New Year was made by Officer John Smith this afternoon about 3:30 o'clock when he brought in "Catsy" Sly on a charge of drunkenness. Catsy, he said, was acting disorderly around the N. & W. depot.

Miss Petra Goldenman of Waverly arrived today for a short visit with her relatives before returning to her school at Putnam, N. Y. She is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Goldenman of Robinson avenue.

**COLLECTED  
\$545.98**

Miss Hilda Strong, superintendent of Hempstead hospital, made her December settlement late Saturday afternoon. She turned in \$545.98 collections for December.

Have You A Want?—Fill It With A Times Want Ad

## A FIND ON THE BEACH

By M. QUAD

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The Palawan Islands, in the China sea, are to the north of Borneo and form a part of the Philippine group. They stretch out for a distance of 50 miles and number nearly a thousand. In the year 1882 I was landed on one of the Palawans by a Singapore trader to get up and run a copra plant. I had with me four Chinese, and the trader landed provisions for a year.

Nothing of special interest occurred until I had been on the island three months. Then one morning as I went down to the boat to go on a fishing trip I was amazed to find tracks of a woman's bare feet on the wet sands.

Whoever had visited our island in the darkness had come up out of the depths of the sea. No boat or raft had landed on the shore. The footprints were as plain as a pie for cake, and we were immediately interested and more or less excited. After thinking the matter over I decided that the woman must have come from one of two islands north and south and determined to give both a search. I set off to the north and in the course of an hour made a landing. This island had an area of not more than five acres. I went over it carefully, but not a living thing did I find.

It was noon when I set back to my own island, and after dinner I set out to search the other. As this one had more vegetation I took with me a boy, who was about fifteen years of age and named Whang.

It was near sunset when we put off after a vain search, and when we reached the reef surrounding our island and a half a mile out from the beach, the evening breeze died out to a dead calm, and we lay like a log. Before taking to the oar to pull us into the shore I sat quiet for a minute listening to the whispers of the sea. Whang leaned over the rail of the boat and watched the sharks darting to and fro and leaving trails of fire behind them, and things were so still that I could hear the ticking of my watch, when there came a strange interruption. It was the voice of a woman in laughter, and it sounded close by. We both sprang up at the sound, wondering if our ears had deceived us, and as we stood listening the sounds came again. When they had died away the boy turned to me and whispered:

"Master, let us get ashore at once! There is a witch of the sea close by, and she will drag us down!"

I waited ten minutes, and, hearing nothing more, I picked up the oar and sculled in to the landing. There I found the three Chinamen waiting for me, and they were in a state of great excitement. They had heard the laughter, and they believed with the boy that a witch of the sea was hanging about and meant to do us harm.

I simply contented myself with saying that we would leave some provisions on the beach that night and see if they were missing in the morning and with sleeping with one eye open to see that the frightened fellows did not steal the boat and make off to some other island.

We were down on the beach when daylight came, and there were fresh tracks again. The woman had circled about the heap of provisions, but had touched nothing. The Chinese were absolutely knocked out with consternation, and only my promise to watch the beach that night and capture or shoot the witch calmed them down. I remained with them all that day to prevent them from plotting, and it was not until midnight that I took up my watch on the shore.

It was low tide at 2 o'clock. I was concealed behind a heap of brush, and it was a starlight night. At that hour a figure which looked like a human being came out of the gentle surf and began to walk up and down the beach. As it walked away from me I rose up and went forward on tiptoe and was within thirty feet of it when it caught the alarm and fled back to the water like a shadow. I heard an exclamation of alarm and splashes in the water and saw the waku as the "it" swam away. I had meant to keep cool, but the sight of the figure excited me, and its escape when I figured on capture added to it, and so, hardly knowing what I did, I drew one of my revolvers and began firing as the swimmer moved away. I fired six shots, but I heard no cry of pain or other sound.

I went back to the Chinamen and found them chattering in terror, and if they had not been afraid of the witch they would have made a rush for the boat and left me alone on the island. I sat watching them till daylight came, and then we all went down to the beach. The tide was coming in, and we found tracks as before. While we were hurrying about, arguing and discussing, the tide water in the naked limb and foot of a woman, a white woman. It had been torn from the body by the sharks, and it was the foot which had made the tracks in the sand. One of my shots had struck and killed her as she swam away, and the blood had brought the savage sharks to the attack. There lay the limb before us, with the flesh bare and firm, though showing a bruise here and there. But no other part of the body came ashore. To whom the limb had belonged, how she had been cast away there, where she was hiding, why she did not seek our protection—none of these questions can I answer. We buried the limb in the sands and heard no more of the nymph of the sea.

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(Written by Louis F. Bunt, former Editor of The Correspondent.)

The news comes in the Italian press that the Serbians have turned over 3,000 Austrian prisoners to the Italians at Avlona. But nothing is given to substantiate it. We notice that such prisoners are meant as the Serbs took in former captives, and carried with them in the present one they didn't make up.

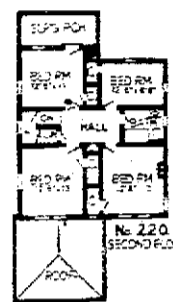
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Figure 1. The effect of the concentration of the *Agrobacterium* suspension on the transformation efficiency of *Agrobacterium* strains. The *Agrobacterium* strains were incubated with the plant explants for 24 h. The explants were then cultured on the selective medium. The number of explants transformed was counted. The results are the mean  $\pm$  SD of three independent experiments. The asterisk indicates a significant difference ( $p < 0.05$ ) between the control and the experimental groups.

1. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 1997; 277: 1033-1038.

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## SUMMARY OF RESULTS:

## A Tribute to the New Year

The old year has completed its turn on the vast highway of time, and taken its place in the long procession of the past. It is an occasion for gratitude that unto all the affairs of men it has brought more of sunshine than of shadow, and to many of the old friends and acquaintances of business and friendship that will survive and be carried into the distant and unknown future.

The New Year is crowding on us with its less stride and untried life amid the glad acclaim of a people who, under just accounting, have more to be thankful for than for the past year. It is a time when we should pause to consider the many things that have happened to us, and to try to make the most of them. It is a time when we should try to make the most of the things that have happened to us, and to try to make the most of the things that have happened to us.

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Regular meeting Aurora Lodge No. 49 F. & A. M. Monday evening, January 3rd, commencing promptly at 6:30 p. m. Installation of officers.

## WANTED

WANTED:—Two girls, at 1162 10th St., opposite N. & W. depot.

\$1450 buys a 12 A. level bottom and two good building lots in Scioto county, 20 minutes walk from car line. Will consider \$150 in auto, worth the money; balance terms or what have you?—Call 22-A Sciotoville Exchange.

WANTED:—Young men and women to know small cash and weekly payments will prepare them for a good position. Portsmouth College of Business Night School. Dec-4-14

WANTED:—Carpets to clean. We make rugs out of old carpets. Portsmouth Carpet Cleaning Co., Revare & Klingman, Home phone 490. 51f

NOTICE:—For prompt city delivery call Geo. Abrams Phone 1025-L. 31-1f

NOTICE:—For prompt package delivery. Phone Y 404, Dick Bostwick, 12 Waller. 21f

WANTED:—Girl for general housework. Inquire 1531 Mount St. 27-1f

WANTED:—To buy all kinds of second hand furniture and stoves. 1024 9th. Phone 1180-Y. 27-1f

WANTED:—Experienced lady canvasser. Good salary. Apply room 28, First National Bank Bldg. 13-1f

WANTED:—Four to six room modern house north of Robinson avenue. Must be rare bargain. State price, spot cash. Address H. C., care Daily Times. 24-7f

WANTED:—Girl for general housework. 1803 Vinton avenue. 28-1f

WANTED:—To get in line with party who desires to become actively interested in the candy business. Address Ashland Candy Co., Ashland, Ky. 31-2f

WANTED:—Salesman experienced in the sale of made-to-order window and door screens. Kane Blind & Screen Co., Kane, Pa. 1-1f

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## FOR SALE

FOR SALE:—Silo property on Washington street, good 8 room home, large lot with garage. For price and particulars see Merle O. Duhill, phones 1183-L and 191-L, or 300 Masonic Temple. 30-3f

FOR SALE:—Choice lots centrally located \$1250, \$450 cash and \$2 weekly. Phone 1366-W. 30-1f

FOR SALE:—5 room cottage, water and gas, Eighth St., below Washington. It must sell, corner leaving city. Phone 1417-B. 30-3f

FOR SALE:—One Buick Model C 37, 1915, fully equipped. One Oakland 1913 Model in good condition. One Studebaker roadster, 1913 Model, first class condition. Call phone 1363-L. 411 Front St. 1-3f

FOR SALE:—Bargain. 5 room house, centrally located. Price \$2400 \$250 cash, balance as rent. Call H. A. Bierley. 28-5f

FOR SALE:—2 young horses. Roscoe Swabby, Jaeger Run. Phone 4100-Y. 30-3f

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## OBITUARY

## Omar Hull.

J. R. Hull, who conducts a shooting gallery at 414 Chillicothe street is in receipt of the news of the death of his brother, Omar Hull, who recently passed away at the Marine Hospital for Tubercular Patients at Ft. Stanton, New Mexico.

Mr. Hull had been ill with lung trouble since December 1914. He was a son of Mrs. N. E. Hull of 1013 Washington street, this city and leaves one sister, Mrs. Mabel Baisden of this city and one brother, J. R. Hull. Before going to New Mexico for his health Mr. Hull was employed by the Whitaker-Glessner company. He was 26 years old and a most estimable young man. Interment was made in the Marine cemetery at Ft. Stanton.

## Charles H. Riggs

J. L. Hurd, tenant officer, received word Saturday of the death of his brother-in-law, Charles H. Riggs, of Pittsburgh. Mr. Riggs passed away early Saturday morning after an illness of pneumonia. Mr. Riggs was born in this city and lived here for sometime. He was about 74 years of age. He left Portsmouth about 45 years ago. He was married in this city to Alice Hurd. For about 40 years he has been connected with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Besides his wife the deceased leaves three daughters and one son.

## George Little Funeral

The funeral of George Little who died Thursday at Hempstead hospital, will be held Monday morning at ten o'clock from the Mrs. Sallie Nolder home, 120 Jefferson street. Interment will be made in Greenlawn.

FOR RENT:—John Swambarger farm in Vernon township. See M. T. Stewart at New Boston. 31-3f

FOR RENT:—2 unfurnished rooms, water and gas. Inquire 311 Glover. 31-3f

FOR RENT:—6 room house and bath. Fifth street, \$20.00 per month. The Philo S. Clark Co., Turley Bldg. 31-3f

FOR RENT:—4 room flat, large porch, water and gas, phone 741-B. 31-3f

FOR RENT:—One modern 6 room house. Bath. \$22 per month. 1522 3rd. Inquire John Rottinghaus, 1504 3rd. 31-3f

FOR RENT:—First floor flat, 3 rooms and bath (J. F. Davis home) 950 Second Street. Geo. M. Osborn, Turley Bldg. Home phone: Office 91, Residence 219. 13-1f

FOR RENT:—2 furnished rooms for light housekeeping, also one front room. 320 Gallia. 30-1f

FOR RENT:—3 room house with bath, 1906 Grandview Ave. Call Alan Jordan. Phone 177 or 370. 15-1f

FOR RENT:—Rooms, either suites or single. See Reuben Smith Rooms 1 and 2, Elk Bldg. 9-1f

FOR RENT:—5 room house on rear of lot. Rent in advance. Inquire of W. L. Wood, 1307 Hutchins. 30-1f

FOR RENT:—Furnished room with bath and phone, for one or two gentlemen. 1120 8th. 2-1f

FOR RENT:—Desirable front room furnished, steam heat, bath, electric light, location good. Call 644 4th St. 29-1f

FOR RENT:—6 room cottage 8th below Campbell. All conveniences. Apply 511 Prospect. 9-1f

FOR RENT:—4 room cottage, 6 room house, gas for heat and light, Sciotoville. Call C. W. G. Hannah, 22 A, Sciotoville exchange. 25-1f

FOR RENT:—Large front room for light housekeeping, bath and gas. 917 9th near G. Y. 15-1f

FOR RENT:—Suite of rooms, furnished for housekeeping, also one bed room, modern conveniences. Phone 820-A, or 709 Second. 10-1f

FOR RENT:—Furnished or unfurnished rooms. 1014 Chillicothe St. 27-1f

FOR RENT:—7 room house, 732 9th. Tel. 4302-Y. 28-6f

FOR RENT:—Dwelling on Third street formerly used by Day Nursery. Inquire at Lehman's. 28-1f

FOR RENT:—Furnished front room. All conveniences. For married couple. 704 John St. 28-1f

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## Mrs. Mary Pepper

Attorney Sam M. Johnson received a message Saturday morning telling of the death of Mrs. Mary Pepper, mother of Mrs. Tracy B. Johnson, formerly of this city. Mrs. Pepper was advanced in years, and had been in failing health for some time. Her home was at Connersville, where she and her daughter had resided together since the death of Mrs. Johnson's husband several years ago. They had gone to Indianapolis to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. James Melntosh, son-in-law and daughter of Mrs. Pepper, and while there the final summons came. The remains were taken to Connersville for interment.

Mrs. Pepper was known to a number of Portsmouth people, who will learn of her death with regret. She was a most lovable lady.

## Laid to Rest

The last sad rites of the late Nelson M. Watkins, who died from injuries received in a regrettable accident in the plant of the Whitaker-Glessner company, were held Saturday afternoon from the family residence, 1411 Seventeenth street. The officiating minister was the Rev. George P. Horst, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church who paid the deceased a most glowing tribute. The services were largely attended, there being many of the co-

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laborers of Mr. Watkins in attendance at his last rites. There were many beautiful floral tributes, mostly testifying to the esteem in which Mr. Watkins was held. Especially beautiful were the floral designs sent to the bereaved home by employees of the Whitaker-Glessner company.

The pallbearers, who carried Mr. Watkins to his last resting place in Greenlawn were the Messrs. E. O. Eymon, G. W. Moore, C. W. Walters, P. L. Hiltstead, H. K. Moore and Clifford Baker.

## Frank L. Judd Funeral

The funeral of Frank L. Judd who died Friday morning, will be held from the home 1005 Mill St., Monday afternoon at two o'clock. All members of the G. A. R. are expected present. Rev. Charles Oakley of the Christian church will have charge of the services. Interment will be made in Greenlawn.

## S. P. Shumate

Stephen Perkins Shumate born in Bull county, Virginia in 1834 died at his home at Manchester, last night. He has been well known to the retail drygoods trade in this county and Lewis county, Kentucky for many years. Three sisters and a brother survive. He was a member of Calvary Commandery No. 13 Knights Templars at Portsmouth.

## Baby Seagraves

Hazel, two months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Seagraves of 2301 Gallia pike, died Saturday of pneumonia. The funeral will be held Monday.

## Han Trickey.

Since Australia is at the antipodes from us the best there naturally lay best from May to November, contrary to the habit of home here. It is now suggested that if a man after her annual laying period in the southern hemisphere were rushed across the equator to the United States she might lay during the rest of the year at the same rate and thus establish a new "record" for a year's production. Still, it looks like a mean trick to play on a poor hen. —Youth's Companion.

The newly arrived citizen from Italy was trying his best to buy a calendar, but could not make the clerk understand what he wanted. The clerk showed him several kinds of years, but not such he liked. Finally he got an idea. "Give me a day a kind," he said. "Za, water go ahead, ze calendar stop." —Ladies' Home Journal.

Acute indigestion. Acute indigestion is a catarrhal inflammation of the lining mucous membrane of the stomach caused by food which is indigestible or has begun to decompose. This condition is very favorable to the growth of disease germs.

Innocent Cause or It. "How did you happen to leave your last place?" "The house was burned down." "Well, of course you were not to blame for that." "No'm. The lady what hired me wouldn't furnish fat kindlin', ar I had to start the fire with kerosene." —Birmingham Age-Herald.

The explanation. "How is it that big, determined man stuck to that little woman till I got her?" "I suppose she has a magnetic attraction for his iron will." —Baltimore American.

Fire and Water. Salt water is considerably more effective than fresh water in extinguishing fires.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lorenz, who have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Louis Blumeyer, leave tomorrow for their home in Cleveland.

Miss Myrtle Sowers entertained the Sunbeam Class of Kendall Avenue Sunday School this afternoon at her home on Lincoln Hill. There were fifteen present. The afternoon was spent in playing games after which the hostess served dainty refreshments.

Miss Jessie Johnson has returned to her home, 227 Grand street, after spending the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. J. E. Houseman, at Clinton Forge, Va., and Mrs. R. M. Bryant of Columbia, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stockham entertained at dinner today in honor of Mr. Stockham's birthday anniversary. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stockham.

Miss Margaret Sickles entertained a dozen friends last evening with a theatre party at The Sun. Followed by a watch party and midnight lunch at her home on Seventh street.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Patterson will come home Monday after spending two weeks with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hill, in Charleston, W. Va.

Mr. Herbert Kall, of Ninth street, has returned from Columbus, accompanied by his aunt, Mrs. Lou Kall, to spend the holidays with Mr. Kall's mother, Mrs. Mary Kall. Mr. Kall is studying music at the Capital College of Music. He is pianist for the Alpha Entertainment Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell will entertain this evening with a New Year's party at their home on Eleventh street.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rheinfrank entertained several friends Friday evening with a watch party. Music on a Victrola and dancing were pleasures of the evening. A luncheon was served at 11:30 o'clock.

Members of the X. Y. Z. Club were entertained with a watch party at the home of John Blum Friday evening. Those present were Misses Alta Marsh, Edith West, Mabel Kamsel, Genevieve Dupre, Violet Smith, Grace Fry, Louise Gibbs, and Messrs. John Blum, Crowder Perkins, Joseph Jones, John Eastland, Herbert Fry, Robert Nutter, Karl Kappes and Carl Blankenmeyer.

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Miss Kate Crichton, former Wheelersburg woman, who has been living in Dayton, has moved to Hutchinson, Kansas.

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## NEW CRISIS

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working at cross purposes. It was regarded as a strong possibility that while the foreign office is ready to accede to the contention of the United States the admiralty bent on the success of its submarine policy, has not yet been brought into line.

There is, however, the added possibility that the submarine which sunk the Persia being far from home had not been instructed in the new policy of the Austrian government.

The destruction of the Persia, coupled with the recent sinking of the Japanese liner Yawaka Maru and the French Ville de la Ciotat lends strength in official quarters to both these possibilities.

All the agencies of the American government have been set in motion to gather facts on the newest disaster and the fact that Secretary Lansing and other officials today declined to comment in the absence of complete information does not alter the crucial aspect which this latest development has given to the submarine controversy.

The general view in official quarters was that the position of the United States is sufficiently well known to Austria and the Aegean negotiations have been under way a sufficient length of time to permit the instructions to reach the submarine fleet.

On every hand the news was received with astonishment. Consul General Skinner, at London, forwarded what information was available at the British admiralty and his dispatch, with unofficial reports of the disaster was forwarded to President Wilson at Hot Springs.

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## Bulgars

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said that during a raid over Saloniki by a tentic airplane a bomb was dropped on the Greek camp just outside the town, killing a shepherd. It was stated that the Greek camp apparently was mistaken for entente headquarters.

Constantinople, Jan. 1.—An official statement given out today by the Turkish war department says:

Dardanelles Front.—Near Seddul Bahr, on the night of December 29-30 and in the morning there was a violent rifle fire as well as bomb fighting.

On December 30 there was violent fighting participated in by artillery, infantry and bomb throwers on our right wing, center and part of our left wing. Two cruisers and one monitor took part in the battle on land.

Our artillery caused heavy damage to the enemy trenches and camps near Seddul Bahr. On the night of December 30-31, our batteries successfully bombarded the places near Seddul Bahr and Tekke Burnu. One of our airplanes successfully dropped bombs on a hostile camp near Seddul Bahr and on a transport. Other airplanes dropped bombs on the armed ship Swiftsure.

The Swiftsure is a British battleship of 11,800 tons displacement. She was formerly the Constitution, and was bought from Chile in 1903.

Vienna, Jan. 1.—Count Salis-Seewis, at present military commander at Vienna has been appointed governor general of Serbia.

Paris, Jan. 1.—The Montenegrin consul general in Paris has received the following official statement from Cetinje, dated December 30:

"The provisioning of Montenegro is becoming absolutely impossible, the situation being more difficult daily."

"Austrian submarines are attacking sailing vessels and steamers on our coast and those on the Albanian coast."

"Wednesday a Montenegrin sailing vessel laden with food was sunk at Dubocina. Today a steamer carrying 2000 tons of provisions met a similar fate off San Giovanni di Medua."

London, Jan. 1.—Bentley's correspondent at Athens says reliable information has been received there to the effect that one Greek battleship has reached Monastir in Southern Serbia, near the Greek border and that an Austrian submarine battery is expected.

In consequence of the completion of French airplanes over Montenegro machine guns have been placed on top of the high wall.

Paris, Jan. 1.—As a reply to a bombardment by airplanes, the correspondent at Saloniki of the Petit Journal, general Sarraute, after conferring with General Maun, decided to arrest the German, Austro-Hungarian, Turkish and Bulgarian consuls. At 4 p.m. Thursday detachments of French and British troops surrounded the consulates and entered and seized all the persons found there.

The correspondent adds: "The Turkish consul was frightened and released into an arm chair, asking for a glass of Maru and the Ville de la Ciotat, was tested against the arrest. He it was an Austrian consul because the Bulgarian consul was not in the Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador recently declared that no German or Turkish submarines were operating in the Mediterranean.

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In the past two days nine negroes have been killed by whites and possumen hunting Villipigue's slayers, and several white men have been wounded, according to reports here.

Late yesterday Ed Law, a negro and his son "Precious" Law, believed by posse men to have aided the younger Goolsby to reach a train going to Montgomery, Alabama, were killed. Seven negroes were reported slain Thursday.

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Mrs. Vi Kyuin Wellington Koo, the latest acquisition to the diplomatic circle of the national capital. Her husband, Dr. Koo, is the newly appointed minister to the United States from China and is now established in the legation in Washington. Kai Pu Shan, the former minister, is to sail for the orient at the end of January.

Falls of Labrador. The waters of the Grand Falls of Labrador have elevated a chain of thirty miles long.

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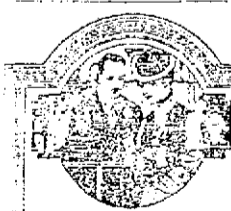
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## J. O. Clendennin Takes Up New Job

J. O. Clendennin, new road foreman of engines on this division of the N. & W. took up his new work Saturday, January 1. C. L. Fink will act as assistant road foreman of engines with headquarters in Portsmouth.

## New Year Dawned Rainy And Dreary

Atmospherically speaking, the first day of the new year was not what could be called an ideal weather. Overcast, drizzly, rainy. No it was drab, dreary and Schirrmann and the extremes in rainy.

The rainfall up to 1916 was just what could be

# HEADS DROP RAPIDLY AS KAPS TAKES HOLD

## G. O. P. Again Is Ruler In Peerless City; Many Changes Made The First Day

Promptly at the customary hour of nine o'clock, the city government after two years of Democratic rule passed into the hands of Republicans New Year's morning.

Simplicity, which is to be a marked characteristic of Mayor H. H. Kaps' method of administering affairs, was the outstanding feature of the transfer of offices and the large crowd that had commenced gathering long before the appointed hour. Perhaps the two-fold disappointment, namely a lack of ceremony and the fact that the new executive dispensed with the formality of holding police court for the first time.

It was exactly 8:30 o'clock when Mr. Kaps, accompanied by his cabinet, Service Director Ralph Calvert and Safety Director E. K. S. Clinkenbeard, arrived at headquarters. They came on Sheriff E. W. Smith's automobile. Closely following were a number who are to hold minor positions under the new administration, then came persons who were particular supporters of Mr. Kaps during his campaigns. A box of cigars from a Cincinnati firm addressed to Mayor Kaps in care of the court house, was brought in by a messenger and this became the signal for a good-natured scramble. Pete Smith, who it belonged to the court house but the irrepressible Turnkey Joe Stokley, intercepted it and it will safely repose in the new mayor's desk.

### Buy Your Bread From Jake Pfau

One of Mr. Kaps' first orders was given to Officer Stokley. He stated that he at once began buying all bread needed for the police station from Baker Jake Pfau. Joe asked him where to buy the prison sausage. The new mayor inquired as to who had been supplying it in the past and when told it was Adam Giesler & Co., gave the word to continue the arrangement.

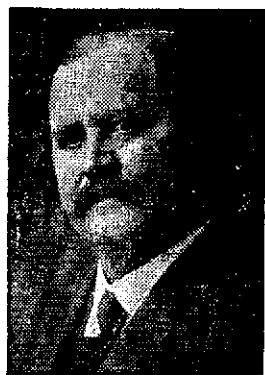
Mayor Adam Frick did not reach the office until a few minutes before nine o'clock. Safety Director John Linck preceded him by a moment or two. Mr. Frick wore a conventional black suit and pleasantly greeted everybody as he pushed his way through the crowd, wishing one and all a Happy New Year.

Mr. Kaps learning that there had been but one arrest over night, a strange negro who was too drunk to tell his name, ordered the prisoner liberated.

Mr. Frick turning to Service Director Calvert told him that he had no final request to make. He said that he had caused slides on Main Hill to cover the sidewalk on the north side of Gallia street and that children would be forced to use the street Monday unless the earth was cleared up. He asked that it be given immediate attention. This Mr. Calvert agreed to do.

"Well, I'm ready," exclaimed Mr. Kaps as he noticed the crowd waiting impatiently. He and Mr. Frick took up position behind the enclosure as the crowd poured into the court room, talking every inch of available space. Mr. Frick administered the oath of office to his successor, over he shook hands with the new mayor, congratulating and expressing the hope that God would give him light to see and the power, wisdom and strength to carry on the duties of his office, then wished him a happy and prosperous New Year. In conclusion he remarked: "I wish everybody an abundant amount of success and this I pass out. Dismiss the crowd from your mind that I have an official and greet me as a citizen on the streets as a citizen. I will do for you what is in my power." As he filed through the crowd there were a chorus of "Yes." He raised his hands in a gesture of "No I won't good-bye, at all, for I expect again right here."

Kaps briefly thanked the crowd for his kind remarks. His official act was to swear in Frank Brown as chief of police. Then he held an informal reception, everybody pressing forward to shake his hand. The first person to congratulate him was Dr. Dan Thomas, closely followed by Attorney Nate Gilliland.



HENRY RUEL,  
The New Superintendent of the  
Street Cleaning Department.

and Geo. Sheppard and Hartzel Evans.

"Click" Takes Oath of Office

The formality of accepting his own office over with Mr. Kaps, accompanied by City Solicitor Anselm Skelton, who had been sworn in several days ago by his predecessor, Stanley McCall, required to the service department office. Finding quite a crowd gathered there and everybody seemingly busy they after briefly exchanging greetings, went to the safety office. There Mr. Skelton administered the oath of office to Mr. Clinkenbeard, the new director and his clerk, T. M. Gynan. They then returned to the service office. Mr. Calvert, the new director and his assistants, Albert Freytag and Pete Yeager, City Engineer Samuel Harper, Clerk John Fritz, City Treasurer David Edwards and John Williams, water works superintendent, were sworn in.

City Auditor Louis Zueker had been sworn in by Solicitor Skelton earlier in the day. After visiting the various city offices, Mr. Kaps went back to headquarters and swore in four new police officers to fill newly created vacancies. They were: Preston Sheppard, Floyd Shoukwer, John Templeman and Jack Leeks. The latter is to be the new night sergeant at police headquarters and together with the three patrolmen will begin active service tonight.

### Roma Walker Police Captain

Roma Walker later dropped in and was sworn in as captain of police. It was his first visit to headquarters since leaving the force almost two years ago. Capt. Grant Cooper had retired at midnight and Chief D. E. Allen tendered his resignation to Mayor Kaps soon after the latter assumed charge, gracefully turning over the office to his successor, Henry Clark. Police Clerk Dennis Correll also retired in favor of Harry Johnson, whom he has been busy coaching in the duties of the office for the past week. Isaac Johnson was also sworn in as market master and Mayor Kaps and the officials thereupon started for Greenlawn cemetery, where Henry Clark was inducted into office as superintendent. They next paid Hempstead hospital a brief visit of inspection. They had also expected to visit the new water works but owing to the lateness of the hour and the inclemency of the weather the trip was postponed.

Returning to headquarters Mayor Kaps still found quite a number of hangers-on about the place. He lingered but a short time, saying he would be back at 1:30 o'clock. Asked what his program was for the balance of the day he declared there would probably be some more police officers to appoint and then he expected to get busy and pay loose Fire Chief W. A. McQuat from his job, that official having previously declared his intention of clinging to the place, asserting that he was protected by civil service.

### Relief Applicant Early On The Job

The first applicant for either work or relief was Frank Brown of Mill and Sutton streets. A bruise caused by a piece of stick he broke across his knee lying in his eye developed blood poisoning and he had been incapacitated for some weeks past. He remained



H. H. (BERT) KAPS,  
The New Mayor.

ed about for some time in hopes of obtaining a personal interview with the new mayor.

Most of the outgoing Democratic officials remained at the city offices the balance of the morning, tutoring their successors in their work while others withdrew and looking relieved from their responsibilities leisurely strolled about town.

Politicians in numberless groups

filled the corridors and thronged the vicinity of the city buildings the greater part of the day. There were some old familiar faces while much new blood was in evidence all by their presence wishing to impress upon the officials that they were the "kandy kids."

City Engineer Samuel Harper stated that he would probably announce the personnel of his staff the first of the week.

### KITCHENER AND GREY ATTEND WAR COUNCIL OF THE ALLIES IN PARIS



Lord Kitchener (left) and Sir Edward Grey leaving for council in Paris.

On his way back from the Dardanelles, where Lord Kitchener, the British minister of war, decided to withdraw the British forces from the Gallipoli peninsula, he is in company with Sir Edward Grey, the British minister of foreign affairs, attending the war council of the allies, held in Paris. The photograph shows Lord Kitchener and Sir Edward Grey leaving their hotel in Paris for the French ministry of foreign affairs.

### WITH THE SICK

Mrs. John W. Carroll, wife of the proprietor of the Old Second wall paper store of 542 Second street, is ill and under the care of a physician.

James Quinn, a well known downtown restaurateur, who has been suffering with droopy and heart trouble for some time past, is again able to be up and about. He has been in poor health for the past year.

John Reiser, who has been very ill at his home on Turkey Creek for the past two weeks, is better.

Ira Swearingen, of Pond Run, has been ill for the past few days. His sister, Mrs. W. K. Pantonney has also been quite ill.

Mrs. Charles Howland is ill with a gripe at her home on Franklin avenue. A visit she had planned to relatives in Brown county and a business trip Mr. Howland expected to make to New York had to be abandoned because of her unexpected illness.

Judge Ransom is so much improved in health that he was able to visit his farm north of the city Friday. He is feeling better than he has for several months.

John Wiget of Oakland avenue, is seriously ill with complications. His daughter, Miss Edna Wiget, is ill with the grip.



THE NEW BOARD OF CONTROL,  
Mayor H. H. Kaps, sitting, E. K. S. Clinkenbeard, safety director,  
standing, Ralph Calvert, service director, reclining on table.



ADAM FRICK,  
The Retiring Mayor.

## M'OUAT STEPS OUT, KOERNER NEW CHIEF

Fire Chief W. A. McQuat, who had expected to wage a determined fight to retain his position, underwent a sudden change of heart and tendered his resignation shortly after 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Chief McQuat submitted his resignation to both Mayor H. H. Kaps and Director E. K. S. Clinkenbeard, of the public safety department, first leaving a copy with the latter then going to headquarters for a brief personal conference with the new mayor, which was held in private.

The resignation was promptly accepted by Mayor Kaps who immediately called in George L. Koerner whom he introduced as the new fire chief, accompanying him to the safety office and presenting him to Mr. Clinkenbeard. "It's up to you to get things shaped up in the department," said the mayor as he turned the new appointee over to the director.

Mr. Clinkenbeard informed the mayor that the retiring chief had very graciously volunteered his services in showing his successor about and familiarizing him with the duties of the office and within a few minutes the two were on their way to visit the engine houses to meet the firemen and give the new head of the department his initial insight into conditions of the department.

Mr. McQuat asked as to what had caused his unexpected change of heart said that he had deliberated strongly over the matter Friday night and much as he felt certain of being sustained in his stand by the Civil Service Commission and the courts, had made the light he felt that he was not wanted and rather than be the only city department head to hold on under the new regime he decided to relinquish his post.

Chief McQuat prides himself upon the fact that throughout his administration as head of the fire department he has kept politics out of it. Over the protests of many Democrats and in the face of sharp criticisms from politicians, he says, he retained quite a number of Republicans in the department simply because they were experienced men. He always contended that the fire department was one place that should be entirely shut from politics. He refused to contribute to the Democratic campaign fund at the last election.

Fire Chief McQuat has been in the service since 1909, first as captain of Engine Company No. 2 which in 1911 was moved to the Hill Top. He continued as such until January 1, 1914, when he was promoted to chief of the department in which capacity he has served most efficiently, maintaining the best of discipline and setting a standard that should serve well to follow for years to come. Precious to entering the city's service Mr. McQuat was employed as an engineer on the N. & W. railway. He has no immediate plans for the future.

Chief Koerner, the new head of the department, is perhaps the

youngest man ever appointed to fill that important position, he being in his 34th year. He is a Portsmouth boy, coming of a well known and respected German family. He is an electrical contractor, having been in business for himself since leaving the Trischeller Company with which firm he was employed for a number

of years. Previously he worked at the steel plant as electrician. He is married and resides at No. 908 Fourth street. The Times has all along foregone Mr. Koerner's appointment as chief. He at one time vehemently denied it, but laughingly acknowledged Saturday afternoon that the Times was a past master in giving correct tips.

It was whispered about in administration circles Saturday afternoon that Firman Gilliland, who has been a member of the East End fire company for some years past, would be promoted to captain of that company to succeed the present incumbent, Captain William Roberts. He is a son of Attorney Nate Gilliland.

## Milhuff, John Smith, Goings And Flowers Day Policemen

## CHANGE IS MADE AT THE WATERWORKS

The first shift of the new water works crew, headed by Chief Engineer George F. White, went on duty at the pumping station at 11:50 o'clock Friday night. Engineer Sigmond Burkhardt was the only hold-over from the former crew and will give the new men the benefit of his

experience. Fred Brookbeck was also put to work Saturday as day watchman of the old pumping station on Mill street, which is still held in reserve for emergency purposes, and particularly needed now that the city is without a reservoir storage supply. James Lloyd has been named as night watchman.

Three of day policemen under the Frick administration were called to headquarters shortly before noon Saturday and told to appear again this evening. They were Officers Ray Moore, Joe Bonzo and William Osburn. As three others were assigned to their beats at one o'clock this undoubtedly means that the trio is to go tonight. Officer Frank Milhuff, a hold-over, has been assigned to duty as day policeman in the West End. Officer John Smith, who has served as a patrolman under both the Tynes and Frick regimes, has been assigned to the Chillicothe street beat to succeed Bonzo. He had preferred and hoped to secure the West End beat but because of his experience was placed nearer headquarters that he might be of service to the new clerk, Harry Johnson. Officer Charles Flowers, who, too, has been on the night force for some years past, was also given a day job, having been assigned to the East End beat.

Officer Grant Goings was continued in the important N. & W. and North End day beat, where he has been rendering most efficient services for some time past. Goings is regarded as one of the most valuable men in the service and Mayor Kaps has made no mistake in retaining him.

## Officer Henderson May Try To Hold Job

Mayor H. H. Kaps said Saturday afternoon that he was somewhat in the dark as the probability of further police changes, saying there was no telling what resist efforts to oust him.

The evening roll call might bring. He thought, perhaps, some would show up then with resignations. Officer Anderson Henderson, it was reported, would

## MAYOR'S LAST HONOR

Former Mayor Adam Frick's last honor was his appointment as a delegate to the National Drainage Congress, sixth annual meeting, to be held at Cairo, Ill., January 19-21st.

The work of this congress is immeasurable in its value to the people of the country who are interested in sewerage, flood protection and drainage generally.

## Janitors May Drive The Padded Wagon

Police Clerk Harry Johnson, principal streets. The police of officials are thinking somewhat of driving the wagon instead giving the particular care to remain off the

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## STEAMER LOST IN A STORM

Madrid, Jan. 1.—News was received here today of the loss of the Sicily Islands in a storm. There were 42 members of the crew.

Her Liquid Gaze.  
"I wonder how she got her eyes to look so nice and clear." "Maybe she washed them."

Seek a position through TIMES WANT ADS. Employers of labor read them carefully.



# LIBRARY BRANCHES URGED FOR PORTSMOUTH

## Makes Suggestions For Better Service

Mr. Carl Lorenz, secretary of the Cleveland library who is visiting Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Bernhardt of Gallia street and who is a son-in-law of the late Louis Blomquist after visiting the Portsmouth library made a number of good suggestions, which if put into practical use would materially enhance the value of a library for Portsmouth and would result in books being more accessible in all parts of the city.

Mr. Lorenz says that the Portsmouth library needs extension of activity.

"Books should be brought nearer to the home of people," Mr. Lorenz declares. "At least two branches are necessary, one about Fifth and Court streets and the other on the Hilltop. Places should be rented, store rooms would answer the purpose for the present," Mr. Lorenz says, and he has been giving the library matter his most earnest consideration.

Continuing on the question of

widening the sphere of the library here Mr. Lorenz said:

"New school buildings should contain library room with outside entrance for use of the general public as well as for that of the children. Public libraries take place of university extensions and are of great educational value.

"Trustees should demand an increased appropriation for library purposes, the present means being inadequate for larger activity, which has become imperative, considering the wonderful growth of Portsmouth during the last ten years. Libraries must keep up with progress. The suburbs should be allowed to draw books from library paying a nominal fee of, say, \$1 a year.

"Portsmouth has a number of citizens of large means and they should create an endowment fund for the purchase of books. Books make a library. The newspapers of Portsmouth should never tire in keeping the library before the public."

### KAISER'S NEW YEARS GREETING TO MEN

London, January 1.—The Amsterdam correspondent of Reuters Telegram Company says that Emperor William, according to a dispatch from Berlin, has sent the following New Years address to the army, the navy and the colonial troops:

"Comrades: Another year of severe fighting has elapsed. Wherever a superior number of enemies have stormed our lines they have failed before your loyalty and bravery. Wherever I have sent you into battle you have gained a glorious victory. Thankfully we remember today above all our brethren who joyfully gave their blood to gain security for our beloved at home and imperishable glory for the Fatherland. What they have begun we shall accomplish with God's gracious help.

"In impotent madness enemies from the west and east, from the north and south still seek to deprive us of all that makes life worth living. They long ago buried the hope to conquer us in honest fighting. On the weight of their masses, the starvation of our entire people, on the influence of their campaign of calumny, which is as mischievous as it is malicious, they believe they can still reckon. Their plans will not succeed. Before the spirit of determination which underlies the army and those at home their hopes will be miserably disappointed. With a will to discharge the duty to the fatherland to the last breath and determination to secure victory, we enter the new year with God for the protection of the Fatherland and for Germany's greatness."

## VISITS TO PLACES OF INTEREST ARRANGED FOR FORD PEACE DELEGATION

Copenhagen, via London, Jan. 1.—It is considered probable that the Ford Peace Expedition will charter a small vessel at a cost of \$50,000 and sail direct from Copenhagen next Wednesday for the Hague where they will arrive three days later.

When members of the mission, after their arrival in Copenhagen settled down to consider their peace plans they discovered the entire program arranged by the local authorities consisted of visits to places of interest.

The intervening time was to be consumed in automobile trips. This was due to the prohibition of the Danish government against public meetings for the discussion of war or peace. The expedition therefore is unable to conduct sessions except in the nature of private meetings, many of which are being arranged.

The Swedish members of the party as announced include two physicians, one suffragette, one prohibitionist, and two women writers who are unknown outside Sweden.

Much of the time of the executive committee here is devoted to the possibility of reaching the Hague which is enveloped in much uncertainty.

General Disaffection. The Swedish members of the party as announced include two physicians, one suffragette, one prohibitionist, and two women writers who are unknown outside Sweden.

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### BE TACTFUL

Talent is something, but tact is everything. Talent is serious, sober, grave and respectable. Tact is all that and more too. It is not a seventh sense, but is the life of all the five. It is the open eye, the quick ear, the judging taste, the keen smell and the lively touch. It is the interpreter of all riddles, the surmounter of all difficulties and the remover of all obstacles. Tact is a wonder worker.

### Your Reflection.

The world which surrounds you is the magic glass of the world within you. To know yourself you have only to set down a true statement of those that ever loved or hated you.—Lavater.

## John Barleycorn Laid To Rest In Western States & Pacific Slope

At midnight the following states entered the dry column:

Iowa.  
Colorado.  
Oregon.  
Washington.  
Idaho.  
Arkansas.  
South Carolina.  
Those already dry were as follows:  
Georgia.  
Maine.  
Kansas.  
Mississippi.  
North Carolina.  
Oklahoma.  
Tennessee.  
West Virginia.

were crowded as early as 6 o'clock and from that hour on merriment and hilarity reigned.

Some saloons ran entirely out of stock early in the evening. Others which had only one or two brands of liquor left, kept open and served it out indiscriminately to all customers, regardless of what drink was ordered.

### Millions Spent

At Seattle all the saloons did a large business. There was no lack of beer anywhere, but imprudent saloonkeepers, who had sold all their spirituous drinks, were unable to replenish their stocks at the wholesale houses yesterday, and the variety of beverages in some saloons was limited. It was estimated that in the fifteen days ending at noon yesterday a million dollars had been spent in Seattle for liquor, wrapped in packages to be carried home.

At Spokane police were stationed in front of saloons and cafes to guard against infractions of the new prohibition law.

At Denver last night thousands paraded the streets in a carnival of merry making, celebrating until midnight the passing of "John Barleycorn" and the old year.

### Four Kinds of People.

There are four kinds of people:  
(a) Those who are grumpy at home and pleasant everywhere else.  
(b) Those who are pleasant at home and grumpy everywhere else.  
(c) Those who are pleasant both at home and elsewhere.  
(d) Those who are grumpy everywhere.

Check (a) are as the sands of the sea.  
Check (b) are rare.  
Check (c) are rare.  
Check (d) are public and private nuisances.—Strickland Gillilan, in Judge.

**She Didn't Dance.**  
In 1730 a gentleman living in Hampshire, England, named Samuel Todd, died after a rather stormy and most unhappy married life. In his will he directed that all his vast estate be given his wife on condition that she should dance upon his grave, from time to time. As the will further instructed that his remains should be taken by boat to the Needles and from there cast into the sea, this, of course, prevented his widow from fulfilling the conditions of the will and thus lost her the property. He, however, had his revenge for the various tempers she had exhibited and for the remarks she often made that she would yet "dance upon his grave."

### Price of a Tulip.

In Holland the tulip became about the middle of the seventeenth century the object of a trade unparalleled in the history of commercial speculation. From 1634 to 1637 all classes in all the great cities of Holland became infected with tulipomania. A single root of a particular species called the "viceroy" was exchanged in the true Dutch taste for the following articles: Two lasts of wheat, four of rye, four fat oxen, three fat swine, twelve fat sheep, two hogheads of wine, four tons of beer, two tons of butter, 1,000 pounds of cheese, a complete bed, a suit of clothes and a silver heater, the whole being worth 2,500 florins.

A certain two men are possessed each of exactly \$10,000.

One buys a modest house for \$1,000, a modest business for \$3,000 and sells the remainder of his money away against a rainy day.

The other puts his entire \$10,000 into a motorcar and thereby acquires such credit that he can have a house worth \$50,000 and becomes a partner in a business paying \$100,000 a year.

Assuming that both men have a wife and some daughters, which of them lives to kick himself?—Puck.

## TERMINALS

The entertainment and open house held at the Y. M. C. A. Friday evening was greatly enjoyed. There were piano solos by Russell Williams, Kenneth Swearingin and Miss Mary Rudy; vocal solos by Edwin Laddick and Fred Klingman; violin solos by William Hopkins and vocal selections by a trio composed of Scout Commissioner M. H. F. Kinsey and Scouts Lawrence and Hopkins. The entertainment was one of the best ever presented in the Y. M. C. A. building. The large number of railroad men present enjoyed every number.

C. J. London, who is connected with the Southern Pacific railroad at Bakersfield, California, is in the city visiting relatives. He is accompanied by his wife and daughter. They will visit in Tronton before returning to their home in Bakersfield.

John Munn, N. & W. employee, left Saturday for Peabody to spend Saturday and Sunday with relatives.

The first quarterly N. & W. watch inspection will take place from January 1st to Jan. 15th.

Albert Eckfeld, N. & W. train dispatcher, who has been off duty for over ten days on account of illness, remains about the same. C. J. Kinsey is looking after Mr. Eckfeld's duties.

Mrs. G. H. Molster, wife of an N. & W. brakeman, is visiting relatives and friends at Lucasville.

Mrs. H. T. Reinicker, wife of Assistant Station Division Superintendent Reinicker, is ill with pneumonia.

James Melvin, porter at the local division offices, left Friday for Columbus. Mr. Melvin received word early Thursday that his aunt in Columbus had passed away. Mr. Melvin will attend the funeral.

### NEW YEAR'S AT STEEL PLANT

The main office force of the Whitaker-Glessner company quit work at one o'clock Saturday on a count of New Years Day. Other departments of the big plant burned merrily today in spite of the fact that the tender showed it to be January 1, 1916.

### ELECTRICIAN GETS FINE GIFT

Fellow employees gave H. C. Mosely, chief electrician at the Whitaker-Glessner company's plant, a fine big arm chair and an elegant clock as a New Year's remembrance. The gifts were immensely appreciated by Mr. Mosely.

## NEW BOSTON

Mrs. Clara Dawson of Columbus is the guest of her brother-in-law, Dr. Chellis Dawson of Vine street.

Nelson Slaughter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Slaughter of West Grace street, who had his right eye injured Thursday by a shot from an air gun in his brother's hands, will lose the sight of the eye. The eye ball is seriously injured but will not have to be removed.

Verna Jones, of Ohio avenue, died with grip.

Ed Haquard and Brent Finney of Sciotoville were guests Friday of their aunt, Mrs. Chellis Dawson of Vine street.

William E. Williams and Daisy Brown were invited in marriage last Christmas day by Rev. Benjamin Porter of East Grace street. It is reported that Squire Will McManes tied the knot. The ceremony was a happy event in Rev. Porter's Christmas.

The temporary crossing that was put in over the car tracks on Vine street and Rhodes avenue was torn out Friday night. The crossing was 18 inches higher than the paved street and was a dangerous place for motorists.

May Slaughter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Slaughter of West Grace street, has returned from a vacation where she visited relatives.

Mrs. Charles Burcham and daughter, Pauline, of East Rhodes avenue, are the guests of relatives in Huntington, W. Va.

Mrs. E. A. Hughes of Russell is expected to arrive Monday and spend a week with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carver of West Rhodes avenue are the proud parents of a baby daughter who came to brighten their home several days ago.

Vista Slaughter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Slaughter, is seriously ill with typhoid fever. Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Harris of East Rhodes avenue are rejoicing over the arrival of an eight day old son.

Miss Marie Potts of Rhodes avenue is visiting relatives in Chillicothe.

Harold Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore of Gallia pike, has recovered from an attack of chicken pox.

All members of New Boston Council No. 288 of O. U. A. M. No. 288 are urged to meet at the hall Monday evening, when officers will be installed. Plans will be laid for a membership campaign. Several applications will be balloted upon. After the installation refreshments will be served.

Edna and Rosemary Munn, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Munn of Gallia pike, are recovering from an attack of chicken pox. Two sleepers were given lodging in the jail by Deputy Marshal Lee Wells Friday night.

**The Devil's Sonata.**  
Tarini, the great violinist, after dining indiscreetly dreamed that he had made a bargain with the devil for his soul. To prove his powers the evil one seized a violin and played a sonata of exquisite beauty. Tarini, awaked with the ringing in his ears, committed the music to paper and published it as "The Devil's Sonata."

## The Daily Times Saturday Song Filt.

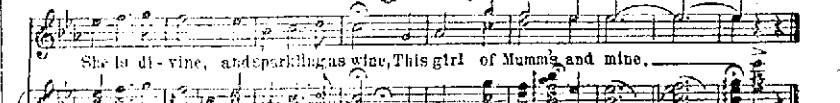
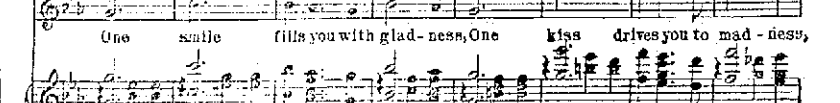
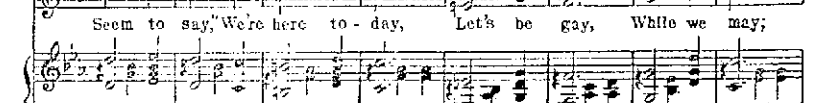
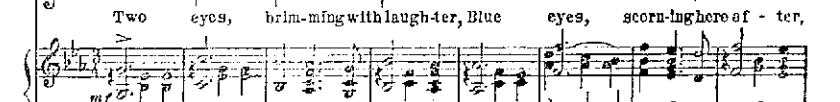
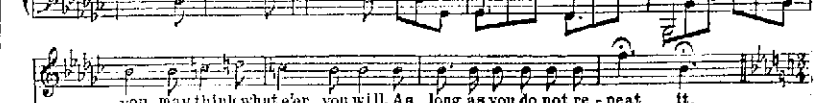
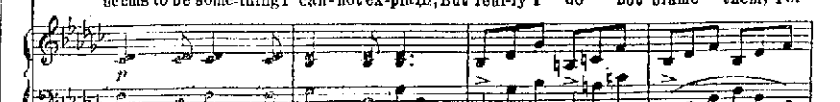
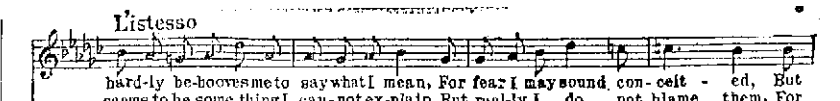
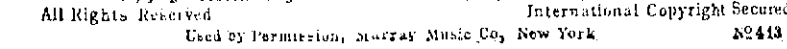
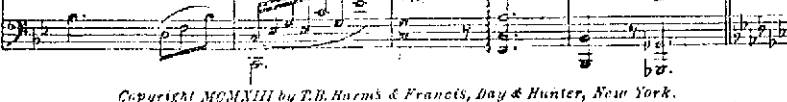
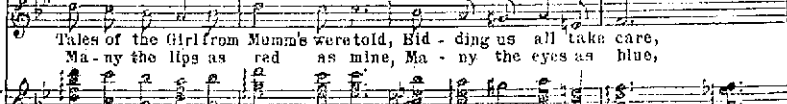
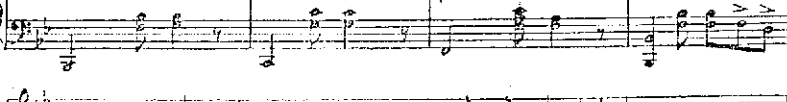
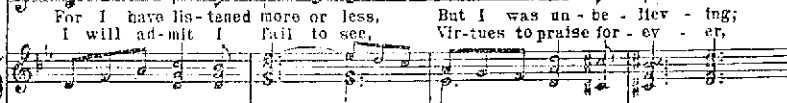
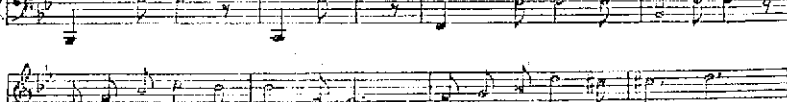
### "That Girl Of Mumm's And Mine"

From the Musical Farce

"The Girl From Mumm's"

(La Fille De Mumm)

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# MANY EVENTS OF 1915 AT HOME OVERSHADOWED THE WAR ABROAD

Notable Occurrences at Times Detracted From the Interest In Great European Struggle. Domestic Happenings Gripped Public.

Recognition of Carranza as Head of Mexico, Eastland Disaster, Wilson's Wedding and Numerous Other Events Marked Year of 1915.

By GEORGE L. KILMER.

THIS year of war has been relieved of its horrors somewhat by unusual events at home which challenged public attention. Throughout the winter and early spring the situation on the high seas was affected by hostilities brought into view the risks and perils to which neutral traffic was subjected by a war which affected the routes most used between America and Europe. Keen public interest, not to say excitement, has frequently been aroused, even up to the close of the year, by the not-

Austria in international situations created by the war.

Among the early activities of Teutonic partisans was the case of dynamite on the Canadian border. On Feb. 2 a German named Werner Von Horn made an unsuccessful attempt to blow up with dynamite the bridge across the St. Croix river, connecting the Canadian Pacific and Maine Central railroads.

Another partisan outbreak was the attempt of a German professor named Holt to assassinate J. P. Morgan, the banker, who was accused of aiding the allies. Holt killed himself.

The activities of officials of the German and Austrian governments serving in this country led to the retirement of Dr. Donaba, Austrian ambassador, and Captain Boy-Ed and Von Papen, attaches of German embassy.

Diplomatic relations between the governments of Austria-Hungary and the United States reached an acute stage during December, when this government sent a note to Austria demanding the disavowal of the sinking of the Italian steamship Ancona with the loss of American lives.

Mexico Pacified?

In January a so-called convention government was set up in Mexico antagonistic to the Constitutional party, of which General Carranza was chief. In June President Wilson warned the factions in Mexico to make peace. Following that, the A. B. C. powers, which had before acted with this country in efforts to bring about peace in Mexico, held a conference, and it was finally

Warship Parade.

An event heightened by the European war excitement was the parade of the north Atlantic fleet of United States naval vessels in the Hudson river and their review by President Wilson at a time when the tension of this country's relations with Germany was strained to a point

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1. Birdseye view of Constantinople; 2. King Ferdinand of Roumania; 3. King Constantine of Greece; 4. Queen Sophia of Greece; 5. Bulgarian troops; 6. King Victor Emmanuel of Italy; 7. Queen Marie of Roumania; 8. Queen Elena of Italy; 9. German submarine; 10. Italian artillery.

## THE GREAT WAR'S RESULTS IN 1915 WITH NEW FOES IN THE CONFLICT

The Germans Push the Russians East of Warsaw—Poland Conquered and Galicia Redeemed—A Standstill in France.

Constantinople Assailed—Italy Makes War on Austria—Bulgaria with Germany. The War at Sea—Mines and Submarines.

By Capt. GEORGE L. KILMER, Late U. S. V. NE may get a swift comprehension of the results of the year's warfare in Europe by viewing the contrasts between the situation now and a year ago this time. On the western front no progress has been made of any moment by either side. The imposing lines in France and Belgium remain practically where they were at the beginning of 1915. The German right flank was near Neuport, on the British channel. Passing generally southward, the opposing lines extended through Ypres, Lille, Arras, to Noyon, in France.

Near Noyon the lines bent eastward and ran along the rivers past Soissons on to Rheims and Verdun. Taking a stretch southward, trenches and detached forts and fortified places carried the fighting zone to the border of Switzerland, mainly on French soil and partly on German territory in the province of Alsace. This line of about 400 miles in length has been altered but little in the fighting of 1915.

New Foes Afield. Hostilities between Italy and Austria began in May, and in October Bulgaria invaded Serbia. Operations in these new fields will be touched upon in chronological order.

The ill fortune of the German navy was apparent at the beginning of the year. The strongest squadron afloat, that of Captain Scheer, comprising five cruisers, had been wiped out in the south Pacific ocean in December. A few cruisers were sailing in African waters and in the Pacific, raiding British commerce. Of these the Dresden was sunk early in the year, and the Prince Eitel Friedrich and Kronprinz Wilhelm were interned at Newport News by the United States government.

Naval War Zones. Naval warfare took on a new phase early in 1915. This, however, was not due to the elimination of Germany's naval forces from the high seas. Great Britain had declared its purpose to close the ports of Germany in order to stop food and other supplies reaching the enemy. As a measure of retaliation Germany declared a war zone in the English channel and immediately began to sink enemy merchant ships by submarine torpedoes.

The German admiralty carried the German submarine warfare to the extreme length of sinking ocean liners voyaging between British home ports and the coast of America. The most noted of these submarine events was the sinking of the Lusitania in May, when over 1,800 lives were lost, including about 100 who were citizens of the United States. The loss of Amer-

ican lives on vessels torpedoed by the German submarines led to a crisis in the relations between this country and Germany and the Teutonic powers which is not yet closed. One result was the resignation of Secretary of State Bryan and the appointment of Robert Lansing to head the state department. Bryan considered the president's diplomacy too aggressive.

While the German submarine warfare proved at the outset to be serious, it proved in the end to be ineffective. Throughout the winter and spring the submarine operations of the allied fleets and armies before Constantinople were futile, and toward the close of the year the expedition seemed a failure.

Spring Drives in France. Meanwhile the allies on the western front essayed an early spring drive and on March 10 broke through the German line at Neuve Chapelle, France, where a three days' battle ensued. Nothing definite was gained by either side. Again, at the end of April, spring operations began in France, this time the Germans taking the offensive, along the Meuse river and in the Vosges mountains. In Belgium they broke up an offensive by the allies by letting loose volleys of machine guns, which paralyzed the energy of the foe. The battle raged at Ypres for ten days, to the advantage of the Germans.

No vigorous drive was made on this front till September. This notwithstanding the intense occupation of the Germans and Austrians on other fields. Early in May the Germans and Austrians started westward from the Crecow base. On the 15th they were at the gates of Przemyśl and had captured the railway center of the region. At Jaroslaw, Przemyśl fell on the 24th of June, and the Teutons went to the relief of Lemberg, capital of Galicia, which the Russians had occupied early in the year. This drive continued throughout June, and at the end of the month the Teutons were across the Dniester river in eastern Galicia.

Turkey, Italy and Bulgaria. This eastward sweep of the Germans provided important developments for the allies. Austria, however, had been confronted by a new foe far to the south and west of the scene of her energies thus far. May 23rd the king of Italy declared war on Austria; hostilities were begun, and the Italians set out to capture Trieste. They crossed the Isonzo river, upon which Gorizia is situated, entering upon the campaign which held them upon the Isonzo all summer and fall.

Turkey has acted on the defensive in Europe, but in Asia threatened the Suez canal and forced Great Britain to send troops to Egypt. Attacks aimed at the canal failed, but early in December the British were beaten near Baghdad.

Bulgarian troops, supported by Germans and Austrians, defeated the Serbian army during October and November, opening rail communication from the Danube to the Bosphorus. Serbia was thus eliminated as a national factor.

Bulgaria's sudden espousal of the cause of the Teutonic powers seriously disturbed the Balkan situation, but in spite of pressing Greece and Roumania promptly refused to take sides for or against their fighting neighbors, Bulgaria and Serbia.

ships had been driven back to their main line of defense east of Warsaw. Meanwhile interest in the movements on the eastern frontier was enhanced by the developments southward, involving most directly Russia and Austria. The allies under the leadership of Great Britain attempted in February to open up Constantinople for Russia. This would enable Russia to receive supplies from the Mediterranean. The movement began by a bombardment of the Dardanelles in February by allied warships. This failed, but in March another and more powerful fleet opened fire on the Turkish forts along shore. The ships were roughly handled, three battleships being sunk and two put out of action in a single day.

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# DUDLEY ALBERT BARBER IS THE "1916" BABY

## Fine Little Boy Arrived Just 15 Minutes After 12

Portsmouth's first 1916 baby is here.

His name is Dudley Albert Barber.

He is a lusty lunged youngster, black hair, full chested and since taking up his abode at the home of his fond parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Barber, 1316 Union street, near, at 12:15 New Year's morning, has made his presence felt. For Dudley Albert, like all healthy babies, joined in the din that ushered in the New Year, and at his home at least, made more noise than the battery of steam whistles and clanging of church bells.

Yes, sir, Dudley Albert is here for keeps, for he is a perfectly formed little chap, tipping the scales at 9 1/2 pounds. His eyes are blue, his hands chubby, cheeks dimpled—in fact one of the prettiest little babies that ever opened his eyes in wonderment.

The little fellow is of all Portsmouth babies to be accounted a seat among the most favored, for within a few days he will be showered with gifts, donated by the good people of Portsmouth, as a mark of distinction, for isn't he Portsmouth's first New Year baby, and isn't he deserving to be shown all the graciousness of an open hearted people? In all sixty gifts have been donated, and if weather conditions are favorable, they will be presented to him, his father and mother during the week of January 16-22. Motion pictures of the presentation scenes will be taken and it is hoped that a day of sunshine will be provided so as to make the pictures clear and distinct.

A Times representative called at the Barber home Saturday morning, and was permitted to see Dudley Albert. He is a chip off the old block, of course, being a dead ringer for his illustrious dad, who is employed in the last gallery at the Selby Shoe company and who really had difficulty in getting to work Saturday

morning without disarranging all the shoe racks—for Father Barber was all puffed up. And he has a right to be, for Dudley Albert has not only brought joy and happiness into the Barber home, but will prove to be a most acceptable companion for his two little sisters, Nellie, 8 years of age, and Dorothy, 6 years old.

The father of the new babe is a deserving citizen. He has a good steady position at the Selby Shoe company, but has had his share of hard luck. About three years ago death invaded the Barber home and claimed their only son, Charles, who was only nine weeks of age when called away. Mr. Barber is an industrious citizen and knows what it is to earn his bread by the sweat of his face. He and his good wife are natives of Portsmouth, but for two years lived on a farm near Wheelersburg, where they found it rather hard to make both ends meet.

They came back to Portsmouth several months ago and since that time Mr. Barber has been working at the Selby Shoe company. "My, but I am glad we live in Portsmouth," said Father Barber to a Times reporter this morning, when the latter proffered congratulations. "And I want to right now thank the Times for the many gifts that will come our way—one way will be acceptable, make no mistake about that," said Mr. Barber.

And while the parents of the little babe are happy, Dr. G. W. Martin, who chaperoned the gracious stork to the Barber home, is also happy. Dr. Martin stated that the baby was born at 12:15 to the second. To show his appreciation of officiating at the birth of Portsmouth's first 1916 baby, Dr. Martin has gladly donated his professional services, and joined with all Portsmouth in hoping that Dudley Albert Barber will grow to be a good and useful citizen of this fair metropolis.

Owing to the cramped condi-

tion of the Barber home, which is located in the rear, the presentation festivities will take place at the home of Mrs. William James, who have gladly proffered the use of their home for the big event. This home, which is directly in front of the Barber house, faces the street, and there is ample room to take care of the big throng that will grace the occasion by their presence.

Dudley Albert was but six hours old when his name had been enrolled upon the cradle roll of the First Christian church Bible school. Miss Julia Nickles, who belongs to Section Three of the Woman's Union, had the distinction of enrolling his name. Mr. and Mrs. Barber are both members of the First Christian church. From South Webster comes word that a boy was born at 1 o'clock this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Perry Henry.

And the Times office is jolly too, for at 3:45 this morning a fine little son came to bless the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius McCauley, 1815 Robinson avenue. The father is employed as pressman at The Times office.

Early Saturday morning, Mrs. Daniel Hapner, 1524 Twelfth street, called at the Times office with a fine rug, woven with her own hands, that she will present to Mrs. Barber.

Helen Barlow, 12 years of age, who resides at 1620 Grandview avenue, will present to the little baby a hand-embroidered bib. Miss Barlow's fancy work took first prize at the Lucasville fair.

The Ohio Valley Bank will give \$1.00 to the first deposit in the Century Savings Club.

Si Straus, with the spirit that should permeate every heart on the glad New Year, added a suit of clothes for the little fellow. Mr. Straus had already gone on the gift list with a pair of shoes for Dad.

Flora Dellert, Second street milliner, will give a pretty sweater cap to the baby.

Mrs. William Mays, grocer at Front and Bond streets, has crocheted a cap for the baby.

Emma Barber McFadden will donate her services.

Mrs. Frank Eakins, Sciotoville, will give a box of Mennen's Talcum powder and two pairs of booties for the baby.

Mrs. John Brusler, Sciotoville, will give a cap for the baby.

S. O. Cook, photographer, will make one dozen post-card photos of

the pretty little boy.

Mrs. E. W. Daggy, of 700 Second street, will give a hand-crochet cap to the 1916 baby.

Dr. G. W. Martin, who chaperoned the stork, has donated his professional services, an act that will be deeply appreciated by Mr. and Mrs. Barber. The father is a hard-working young man, being employed at the Selby Shoe Co., and Dr. Martin is to be congratulated upon his thoughtfulness. All the above gifts were donated Thursday evening and Friday morning, and bring the total number of gifts to fifty-eight.

William Peerless Brown, Portsmouth's first 1915 baby, was the recipient of thirty-one gifts. The Barber baby will fare much better than little William Peerless, whose advent into this world was made a most happy occasion. The full list of presents at this time are:

Times Publishing company, \$20 gold piece for the baby and a basket of flowers for the mother.

Bierley and Yelcy company, \$5 in merchandise in any store in city for the baby. Play House, box of Lowrey's candy.

Atlas Trading company, a knit jacket for the baby.

United Woolen company, a pair of trousers for "dad."

Felix Haas, a new hat for "dad."

American Steam Laundry, \$5.00 general laundry work for the family.

Walter L. Wilhelm, a solid gold ring for the baby.

Rickey & Johnson, a box of "E. & J." stogies for "dad."

Jacob Pfau, month's supply of Milk Crust Bread.

Philip Frick, a large bottle of Laxalone and a box of baby talcum powder.

Fred N. Tynes, season's pass to Columbia theatre for the parents.

National Biscuit company, twelve packages of Uneeda Biscuits each month for six months.

Coburn Brothers, four 95 cent sacks of Puritan flour to the parents.

Portsmouth Chemical company, a sack of fertilizer.

Mrs. Hattie Louise Jack, a doll baby.

Edelson Brothers, a silk dress for mother.

Chris Malavazos, five pound box of assorted chocolates.

Red Cross Pharmacy, year's supply of medicine for the baby.

Gilgen and Balmert company, one quart of imported port wine.

The Brandau Book and Stationary company, a baby record book.

Mrs. J. A. Cooper, a box of home made candy.

Virgil Fowler, No. 2 Brownie camera.

Ben G. Harris, a dozen cabinet photos of the baby.

The Steinkamp Furniture Company, a high chair for the baby.

Portsmouth Candy Company, box of Schraff's chocolates.

Turner Hotel, a turkey dinner for the family.

Stewart's Cut Rate Drug Store, French Ivory Baby Set.

John Weute, 10 pounds of lard.

Si Straus, pair of shoes for "dad."

Carroll Odd Cent Wall Paper store, will paper one room.

Portsmouth Coca-Cola company, one four-dozen case of Coca-Cola.

Majestic theatre, six months' pass to parents.

Distal Furniture Company, a collapsible "Baby Walker" for the baby.

E. J. Staebler, a gold necklace if the baby is a girl; a set of gold beauty pins, with pearl setting, if a boy.

Henry Nagleson, a box of cigars for "dad."

The Salvage store, pair of baby shoes.

Conger Printing company, 100 birth announcement cards.

A. I. Hurth, quart bottle of rock-and-rye.

Temple theatre, season's pass to theatre.

Adams and Price, quart of Sunbright varnish.

Miss Alma Davis, hand made baby dress.

Pure Milk company, quart of milk daily for one month.

Elbert Dorrough, \$2 worth of blacksmithing.

J. J. Brushart, basket of groceries and fruits.

James M. Molster, bottle of cordial.

Mrs. E. F. Musetter, dress-maker hand made baby dress.

S. O. Cook, 1 dozen post-card photos of baby and all the presents.

Emma Barber McFadden will nurse mother.

Mrs. Frank Eakins, Sciotoville, box of Mennen's talcum powder and two pairs of booties.

Mrs. John Brusler, Sciotoville, a cap for baby.

Mrs. Dan Harper, a rug for the mother!

Ohio Valley Bank, open \$1 account to any member of the family in the Century Savings Club.

Boys' Suit, Si Straus.

Flora Dellert, milliner, Second street, sweater and cap to the baby.

Mrs. William Mays, grocer Front and Bond streets, crocheted cap.

Dr. G. W. Martin donated his professional services to the mother and baby.

Mrs. E. W. Daggy, of 700 Second street, will give a hand crochet cap to the 1916 baby.

Luxury.

A noted criminologist was talking about the luxurious qualities of certain American prisons.

"Why," he said, "there was once a tramp to whom an old lady remarked: 'You poor fellow; you look as if you had seen better days.'"

"And so I have, madam," the tramp answered. "I once dwelt in marble halls."

"And how," said the old lady, "did you come to lose such a nice home?"

"Alas," said the tramp, "my term expired!"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

## NICE PROMOTION COMES FOR PORTSMOUTH MAN

The many friends of Will Pfau, or with the above concern, and brother of Jacob and Adam Pfau, has so completely shown his capabilities along that line that he has been elevated to the superintendent position, a position that carries with it a handsome salary. You for he has been notified that he can't keep a Portsmouth man from being made superintendent of the National Machine & Casting Co., of Tiffin, O., one of the largest machine and foundry plants in the country. For the past two years Mr. Pfau has been employed as mould-

## BUSINESS MEN WILL BANQUET

Invitations were mailed out Friday afternoon to the members of the Business Men's Association, requesting their attendance at a smoker to be held in the office of the Association, in the Masonic Temple building, next Tuesday evening, January 5th. The affair is to be decidedly informal, and is intended to enable the members to meet in a social way and discuss the various matters of interest to the Association, as well as conditions about the city generally. The committee on arrangements consists of William Titcheller, J. A. Bode and Charles Daehler. Some of the members will be calling upon for a few impromptu remarks, which are expected to start an animated discussion relative to the matters touched upon in the smoker. Plenty of cigars will be provided for all who attend, and the meeting is calculated to bring the members into closer personal relation with each other and promote the general business welfare of the city.

## FIRST DAY "REGULAR"

Among the lodgers at the city prison Friday night was a young man whose face appeared familiar to Turnkey Joe Stokley and he asked his identity. The stranger said he was the youth whom Former Mayor H. C. Searcy soaked with a workhouse sentence for bicycle stealing the first day that gentleman assumed office eight years ago.

## Mail Clerk In A Wagon--Auto Crash

Montford L. Wolf, a post office clerk of No. 1217 Franklin avenue, was injured about the shoulder and also had an ankle hurt, in jumping from a U. S. mail wagon during a collision with an interstate auto baggage truck at Ninth and Waller streets, Saturday night. All other occupants of the two vehicles also jumped but escaped injury. The horse attached to the mail wagon was knocked down and the shafts broken. The auto truck was coming west on Ninth street and the mail wagon south on Waller street when they met.

Persistent. "What does Biffkin remind you of?" Holman Well, every time I see Biffkin he reminds me of a little fellow I've owned him for over a year.—Waller Street Journal.

## BELL-ANS Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

## She Will Have A HAPPY NEW YEAR

If you send her a box of

## Huylers

Just received a fresh supply of one, two and three pound boxes.

Give us the order. We will see that it's delivered.

## THE REXALL STORE

## Wurster Bros.

Leading Druggists 419 Chillicothe

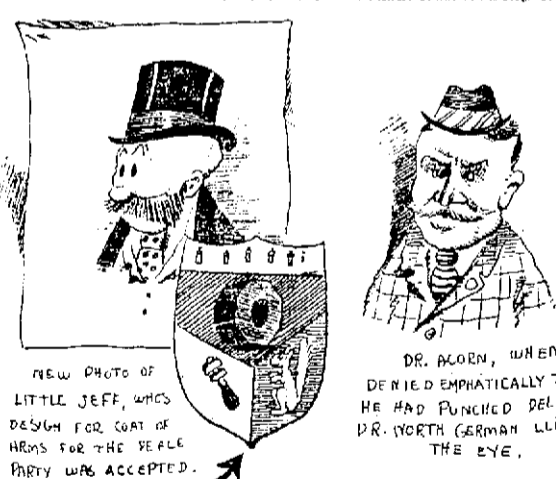
## MUTT AND JEFF

## THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HAVE PEACE AND THAT IS BY FORCE. -- BY BUD FISHER

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AFTER POSING FOR HIS PHOTOGRAPH, MR. MUTT, THE NEW LEADER OF THE PEACE EXPEDITION SAID: "NO, THESE TWO GENTLEMEN WITH ME ARE NOT DELEGATES. THEY ARE MY PREPAREDNESS. IF I'M GONNA RUN THIS PEACE SHIP, I'M GONNA RUN IT GET ME? AND THE ONLY WAY TO HAVE PEACE ON A PEACE SHIP IS TO USE FORCE!"



THE CONT OF ARMS CONSISTS OF A BEAUTIFUL SHIELD DIVIDED INTO THREE FIELDS, THE LARGER OF WHICH IS A FIELD OF YELLOW, DENOTING COURAGE, IN WHICH IS REPRODUCED A LIFELIKE SILVER MUTT, THE LEFT HAND LOWER FIELD CONTAINS A MONKEY WRENCH, WHILE THE RIGHT ONE ENCLOSES A PICTURE OF A HURRAY CENTRAL PARK SQUIRREL. THE ENTIRE EFFECT IS SUBMOUNTED BY A ROW OF SPARKPLUGS.

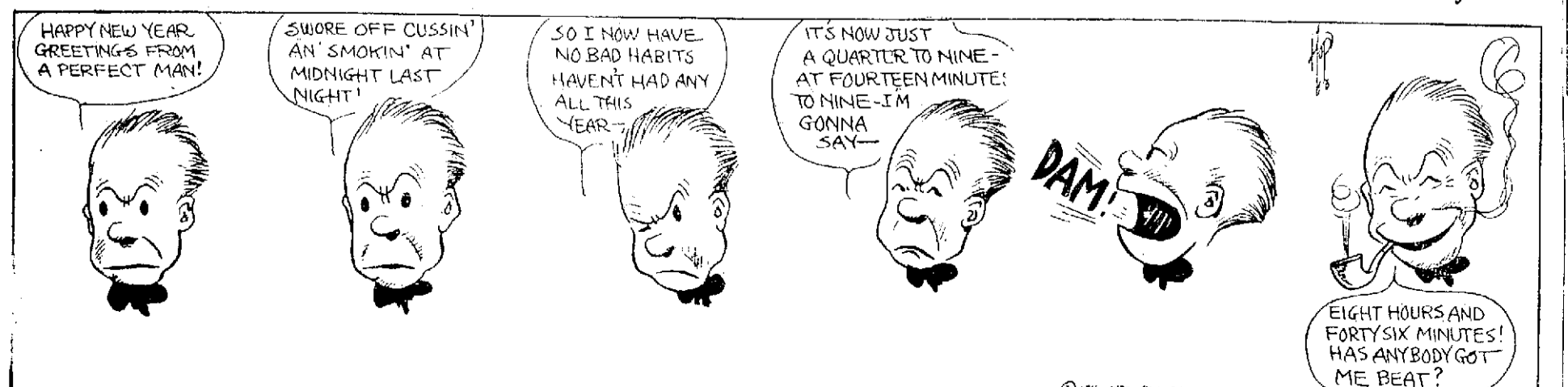


DR. ACORN EXHIBITED THE ABOVE PHOTO OF HIMSELF PLAYING LEAD-PRAG ON BOARD THE PEACE SHIP. DR. ACORN SAID: "THIS SHOWS HOW PEACEFUL I WAS. THE ACCIDENT TO THE EYE WAS CAUSED BY THE OTHER DELEGATES' KNEES GIVING WAY AND HE BUMPED HIS EYE ON THE ANCHOR." DR. ACORN DENIED THAT THE OTHER DELEGATE IN THE PICTURE WAS SANTA CLAUS.



PRIZE WINNING PEACE PAINTING EXHIBITED BY RO. KIRBY IN THE "PARIS SALON" ON SECOND AVE.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU!



HAPPY NEW YEAR GREETINGS FROM A PERFECT MAN!

SWORE OFF CUSSIN' AN' SMOKIN' AT MIDNIGHT LAST NIGHT!

SO I NOW HAVE NO BAD HABITS HAVEN'T HAD ANY ALL THIS YEAR.

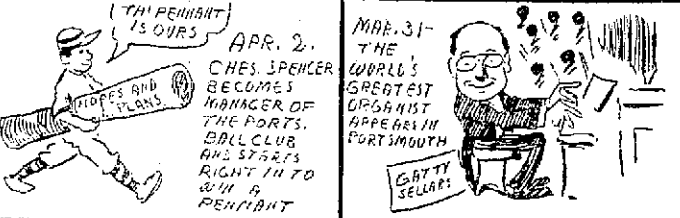
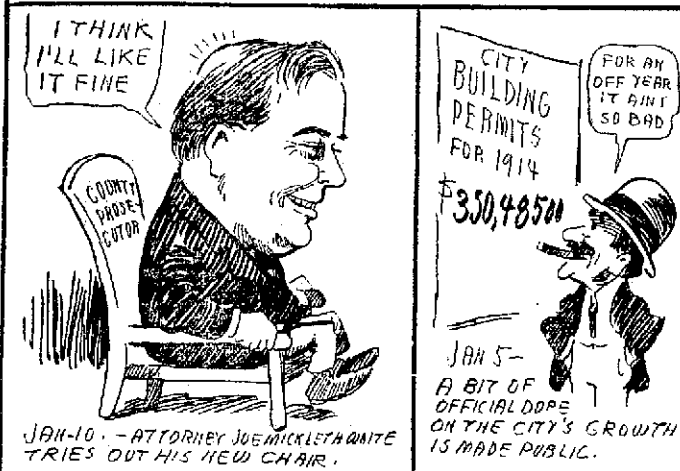
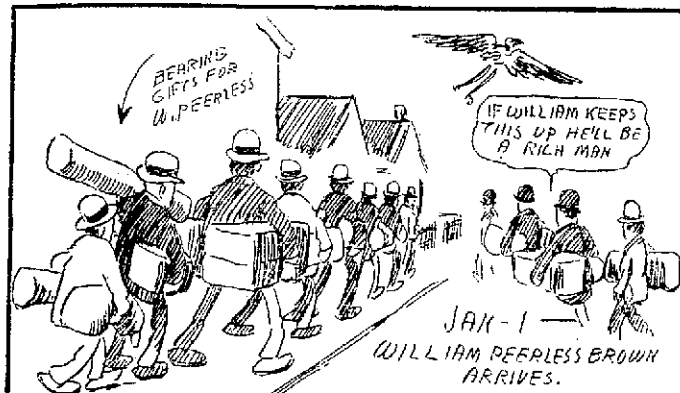
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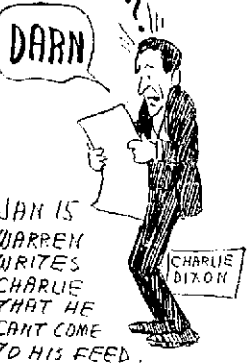
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# Looking Backward At the Year 1915

LOCAL HISTORY

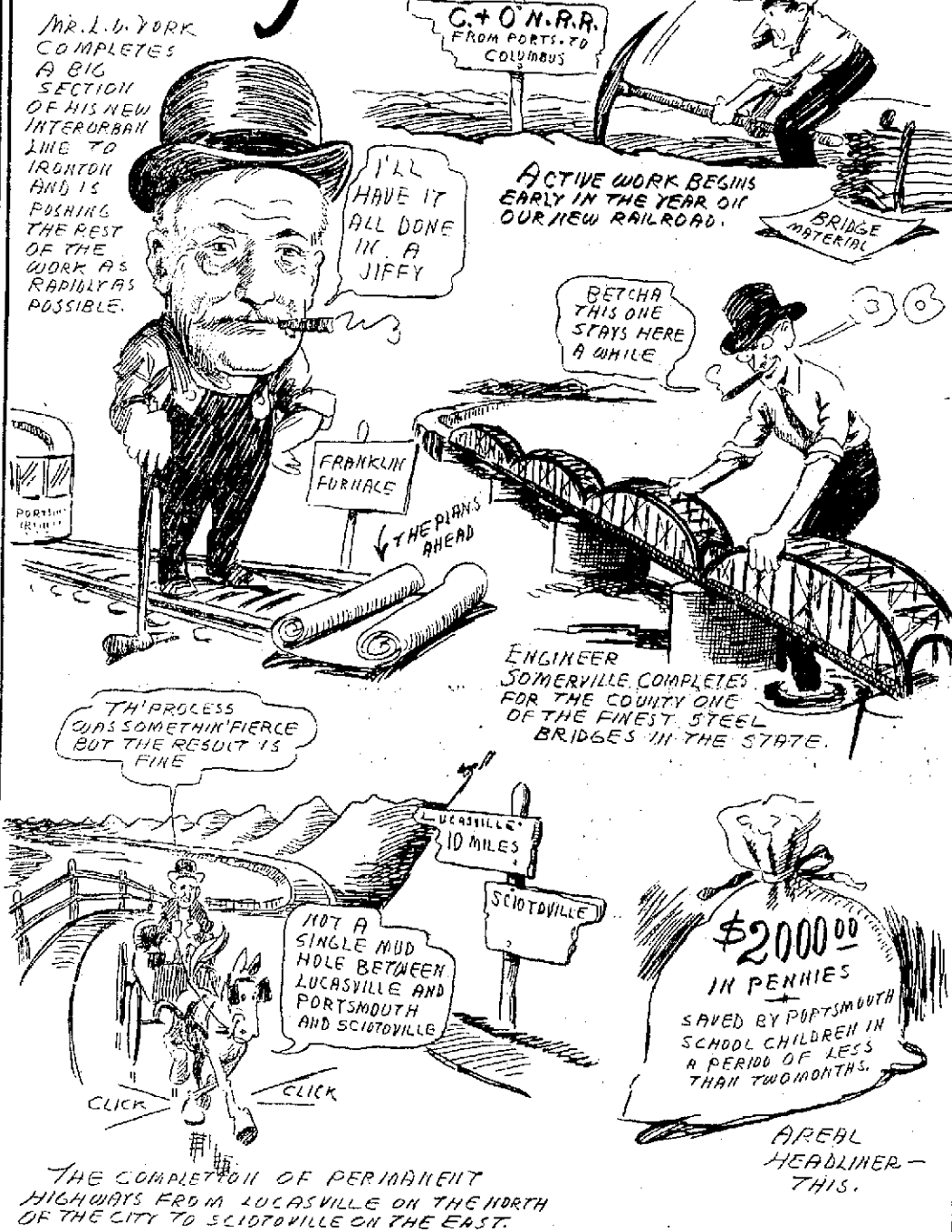


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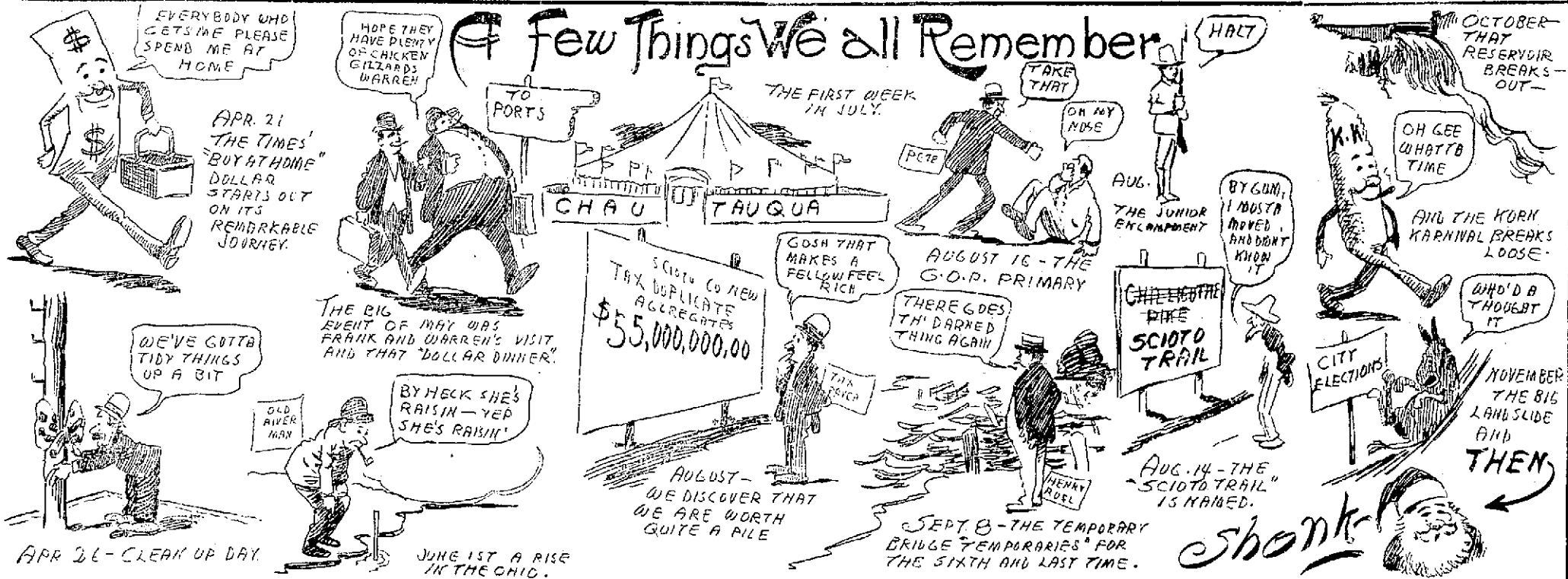


BUT AT THE BIG G.O.P. "GET APART" FEED A FEW MONTHS LATER WARREN EXPLAINS AND CHARLIE FORGIVES.

## Some 1915 Headliners



## A Few Things We all Remember



**The Columbia**

## Special Announcement For The New Year

**The Columbia**

**TO OUR PATRONS:** Commencing next Monday, at the beginning of the New Year, we beg to announce that we will discontinue the daily showing of five and six reel multiple reel dramas, and in their place we arranged a program for each day consisting of specially selected one, two and three reel pictures, representing the very cream of interesting short stories and snappy comedy picture productions. At least one comedy picture will be on each day's program.

## BIG FEATUTRE PRODUCTIONS WILL BE OFFERED FROM TIME TO TIME

In addition to this change in the picture program, we will again use a first class singer, who will appear at each show, both afternoon and evening, with the very latest "song hits."

## Clen De Bruin Opens Monday With "THE SWEETEST GIRL IN MONTEREY"

### IN SCREENLAND

One of the seven wonders of the modern world is the motion picture industry, which has developed with greater rapidity than any other business, probably the world has ever known. It now ranks at least fifth in the United States in amount of capital invested.

During the past year at least eighty per cent of the world's photoplays have been made near Los Angeles. But the distributing center remains New York. City—three thousand miles away. Practically all executive business is done in New York, and negatives are shipped to New York, under tremendous insurance, for printing all the positive films which propel the visions of the screen.

In the early autumn began a sudden residential interest in New York and vicinity on the part of manufacturers and the huge activities of World, Fox, Vitaphone and other concerns began to materially lower California's high productive preponderance. Many have wondered if the "production capital" was about to cross the Rockies.

Jesse Lasky, president of the Lasky Feature Play Company, for instance, lives in New York—but he does all his producing on the Pacific Coast.

At the Columbia for next week, Manager Tynes announces a change in his program, whereby he will discontinue the five and six multiple reel dramas and in their place he will offer a program each day made up of one, two and three reel subjects, a program specially selected from the very cream of short story and snappy comedy picture productions.

In addition to this change in the picture program he will again use a first class singer at each show at the Columbia commencing next Monday when Clen De Bruin will open a limited engagement, using as his opening song, one of the big song hits of the year, "The Sweetest Girl in Monterey." During the first week, Mr. De Bruin will sing the following songs: "Norway," "Back Home in Tennessee," "Tillie Time in Holland," "When I Leave The World Behind," "The Little House Upon The Hill," and of which are among the very best and most popular songs of the season.

This new picture program starts off Monday with "Gung," a

reel drama featuring Lottie Pickford (a sister of Mary's) and William Russell, "Nobody's Home" in Nestor.

"The Wayward Son", a multiple reel drama and also a single reel drama and a single reel comedy will be the Tuesday offering.

For Wednesday, "The Solution of the Mystery" is a very strong American multiple reel drama featuring Vivian Rich and Alfred Bosburn, and a very funny Fald-staff comedy and a single reel Thanhouser drama make a most excellent program.

"An Innocent Traitor", a special Thanhouser picture is the headliner for Thursday, and with this, two single reels of real comedy will be shown.

"The Ace of Death", featuring Stella Hammerstein is one of the big picture sensations of the season and will be shown on Saturday together with "A Musical Mix-Up", a comedy that will certainly make you laugh.

A big wild animal picture "The Arab's Vengeance", comes on Sunday with a beautiful reel of "Seeing America" and a single reel of comedy.

Program at Exhibit Theatre for week of Jan. 1.

Monday—Where the Road Divided, Lubin drama; "Silent Tongue", Edison comedy, and "Broncho Billy and the Lumber King", Essanay drama.

Tuesday—"Song Jim and the Amusement Co.", Vitaphone comedy; "Beat Trouble", Biograph drama; "The Life Guard", Lubin comedy, and "A Perilous Lance", Kalem drama.

Wednesday—"Rime Sixty Three", Essanay drama; "The Lucky Loney", Vitaphone comedy, and "Jeddo", Lubin drama.

Thursday—"Ransom's Folly", Edison drama; Friday—The Boy Vagabond, Lubin drama, and "Romance in a Card", Lubin comedy.

Saturday—"The Boy Vagabond", Biograph drama; "A Love Road", Lubin drama; and "The School Days", Lubin comedy.

Manager Parts of the Armistice offers his patrons the following program for the week of Jan. 1: Monday, "The Black Box", and "Fascination of The De Lacy Box".

Tuesday, "A Happy Pair", Rex

"On the Level", Gold Seal feature and "Those Kids and Cupid" in Nestor.

Wednesday, "Silk Hose and High Pleasure", L. Rex; "The Broken Coin", drama and "One On Mother", Rex.

Thursday, "Honor on K. McGrath", Powers, and "Hearts That Are Human", Big U feature. Friday, "Simple Policy", Rex; "Honor Thy Husband", Powers, and "Father's Lucky Escape", Nestor.

Saturday, "What The River Foretold", 191 Bison, and "According to Value", Lennette.

The Temple theatre's program for week beginning Monday Jan. 3rd, 1916 follows:

Monday, a Centaur production entitled "Could A Man Do More" in three parts. Crane Wilbur in lead. The fourth is a comedy entitled "Taming A Crouch". The fifth and sixth reels of "The Diamond From The Sky".

Tuesday, a Centaur production in two parts entitled "Stanley Among the Slave Traders". The third reel is entitled "A Deal in Indians". The fourth is entitled "See America First", a Cantor production.

Wednesday, a Mustang production in two parts entitled "The Valley Road". The third is a Thachouner, entitled "Clarence Cheers at Croquet". The fourth is a Mutual Weekly.

On Thursday there is a three-reel Thanhouser entitled "The Valley Road". A drama. The fourth is an American comedy entitled "Cupid Beats Father".

Friday, a Biograph, entitled "Friends on the Sea", in two parts. The third is entitled "A Widow's Whim", a comedy. The fourth is a comedy entitled "The Boy Vagabond".

Saturday, an American production, entitled "The School Days". The fourth is a comedy entitled "The Boy Vagabond".

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### The Movies



Helen Ware in "The Price" with Noted Cast Will Be A Big Attraction At The Lyric Next Thursday

Helen Ware, late star of "The Price", as a spoken drama, will make her screen bow in that play, "The Price" is from the pen of the author, under the auspices of the Lyric Theatre, etc. It gives Miss Ware a most admirable opportunity to show her acting and her dramatic powers. The play is a powerful one, and the author has done a most admirable job of it. The play is a powerful one, and the author has done a most admirable job of it.



Holbrook Blinn in "The Family Cupboard" at Lyric

World Film Corporation production walks out of the cupboard. The play is a powerful one, and the author has done a most admirable job of it. The play is a powerful one, and the author has done a most admirable job of it.

Charlie Chaplin in "A Night at the Show" at the Lyric Theatre

Temple Theatre

Universal Program

role of "Bess Stockton," the wife, whose loss of memory casts a shadow over her family for sixteen years. A ship wreck and the rescue of "Bess" by her husband, whom she fails to recognize, are incidents of dramatic power. The real story of the film is laid in the gold fields of the Northwest, and the lightning bolt, which finally wrecks the cabin home of "Norman Stockton", proves itself the mysterious hand of beneficent Providence.

Charlie Chaplin at the Majestic Tonight

Charlie Chaplin in one of his funniest pictures is the feature attraction at the Majestic tonight. Messrs. Farmer and Holman booked Chaplin especially for today, New Year's. He will start you right, that is, will send you on your way laughing and will dispel all gloom that would enshroud you on the first day of this year. Another ninth production is a one reel Beauty entitled "Aided by the Movies". In this reel are featured Carol Holloway, and John Sheehan. It is an imitable farce.

"The Long Arm of the Secret Service", is a three act drama produced by the Than-o-play people. In it are featured Kathryn Adams, Wayne Avery, and Morgan Jones.

New Year's at The Strand

The new year brings with it the 12th episode of the "Broken Coin", and adds more thrills than ever to this already wonderful picture. In this number, Eddie Polo demonstrates his skill as a bull fighter, and he succeeds in his clever manner. Kitty and Robaux have hair-raising adventures, while being pursued by the sewer apaches.

"The Idle Rich" is a two-reel L-Ko scream that pulls everybody with it. Harry Gribbon plays the leading fool in this mélange of mirthful merriment, which tells the sad story of a black eye, a wonderful rescue, an embarrassing meeting and a free-for-all Kilkenny scrap. Begin the new year right by seeing these pictures.

THEATRICAL

The Sun

Beginning with matinee Monday, January 3rd at the Sun for three days the management presents Jimmie Hodge and Jean Tynes and their classy company of players, singers and dancers, in the big song review "A Night on a New York Roof Garden".

Funny comedians, classy singers, charming beauty choruses of handsome girls, richly costumed and special scenic and electrical effects showing a bird's-eye view of New York at night illuminated.

Among the many feature songs that will be introduced is "The Rocky Road to Dublin", "When You're Down in Louisville", "A classy show at popular prices."

THE SECRET WIRE

REAL MELODRAMA

The thousands and thousands of film fans throughout the country who have been howling the back of good melodrama on the screen should not get down in their little red notebooks the fact that "The Secret Wire", reveals a melodrama at its very best. This two part feature is a masterpiece of melodrama from start to finish. It is real melodrama—picture—excellent with a valley and not a succession of mere thrills for thrills' sake. Harold Lockwood enacts the leading role, and is ably supported by a cast of stars, headed by May Allison and William Stowell.

Blanche Sweet is at work on another photoplay in the Lasky-Paramount studios. It is being directed by Wm. C. DeMille.

### The Sun-3 Days

Beginning Matinee Monday, Jan. 3.

LOOK WHO'S COMING

JIMMIE HODGE AND JEAN TYNES

WITH THEIR CLASSY COMPANY OF PLAYERS

In the big song review: "A NIGHT ON A NEW YORK ROOF GARDEN"

Big Beauty Chorus 18—People—18

MATINEE 2:30, 10, 15c. NIGHT 7:30-9, 10, 15, 20, 30c

### WALTER'S PLAY IS SECURED

"The Trail of the Lonesome mount Company, from Messrs. Klaw and Erlanger, just prior to Mr. Goldfish's departure for a winter trip to the Lasky studios. (Charlotte Walker, who will be the star, has already appeared successfully in two Lasky-Paramount productions. They are "Kindling" and "Out of Darkness."

GEORGE COHAN GOES ON SCREEN

Who do you think will soon take part in a sensational moving picture feature?

Why none other than our old friend, Geo. M. Cohan. It is said this versatile actor will soon appear in his first moving picture and will be in a Paramount film.

Manager George Law, of the Exhibit, has succeeded in booking another big serial entitled "Neal of the Navy" which is to run 14 weeks, two reels being shown each week. The first two reels will be shown at the Exhibit one week from Monday. The pictures were taken with the consent of the United States Navy Department.

The Whartons have produced the famous old-time play "Hazel Kirke", the popularity of which is perennial, and used a fine cast, including besides Pearl White, Bruce Melius, who starred in Pathé's "Via Wireless", Creighton Hale, William Raley, Hatch, Eddie O'Connor and Allen Murman.

Since Blanche Sweet has been with the Lasky-Paramount forces she has appeared in "The Warriors of Virginia", "The Captive", "The Clock", "Stolen Goods", "The Secret Orchard", "The Case of Becky", "The Secret Sin" and "The Ragamuffin", her latest photoplay.

"Charlie Chaplin Shanchaied" made such a big hit the last time shown here and so many requests have been asked for a return engagement of the picture that Manager Law of the Exhibit has arranged to show the picture next Monday evening.

A new \$75,000 moving picture house is being erected in Milwaukee.

The latest Pathe feature is "The Life of Our Savior", in seven parts. It is said to be an exceptionally fine film, the photography being excellent.

THE TEMPLE THEATRE

Early run pictures from the world's best producers

Eleventh, near Lawson

STRAND THEATRE

Universal Program

THE EXHIBIT TONIGHT

CHARLIE CHAPLIN IN

"A NIGHT IN THE SHOW"

"CARTOONS ON TOUR", Edison comedy

At Majestic Theatre Tonight

CHARLIE CHAPLIN in a feature

"THE LONG ARM OF THE SECRET SERVICE", drama

"AIDED BY THE MOVIES", Beauty comedy

At Arcana Theatre Tonight

"THE METTLE OF JERRY McGUIRE", 191 Bison

"FATHER'S HELPING HAND", Nestor comedy

"DEAR LITTLE OLD GIRL", Lennette drama

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## The Movies



William Farnum in "The Broken Law" At Lyric Monday

Gypsies are generally considered to have a rather loose moral code, but, so far as the protection of their women goes, their morals have received vindication at the hands of Oscar C. Apfel, author of "The Broken Law." This feature photoplay is the latest offering of William Fox. It was produced by Mr. Apfel, and William Farnum appears in the leading part.

The author makes no attempt to defend gypsies from their traditional reputation for thievery, but he does champion them as occupying a high moral plane in so far as the relations of the male and the female members of their camps are concerned. He defends them against the charges of laxity of morals with which they have been credited.

No race, he shows, puts a higher appraisal on woman's purity than the gypsy. In substantiation of his claim he has unearthed two gypsy laws which obtained in England in 1850. While these laws are not enforced literally today, they illuminate at least one side of the gypsy's character which has hitherto been little known. The laws read:

"The Gypsy who wrongs a Chi (woman) is to be flogged, branded and banished from the clan."

"When our Chies (women) yield their purity without wedlock they are to be flogged unto death."

It is around a violation of one of the foregoing laws that the gripping action of "The Broken Law" hinges.

William Farnum, the world's foremost dramatic actor, who depicted the legitimate stage to play exclusively in the feature films of William Fox, has never had a role that was more to his liking than that of Daniel Esmond in "The Broken Law." Mr. Farnum who is a \$100,000 a year star, deserted the speaking stage because he felt that the Fox feature films offered him a larger field in which to display his talents. Also he was of the opinion that the photoplay, as presented by Mr. Fox, offered greater opportunity for artistic work.

In the matter of artistry, Mr. Farnum has risen to unforeseen heights in his delineation of the "Broken Law." The role, calling for the utmost in romantic and dramatic acting, was peculiarly adapted to Mr. Farnum's temperament. As a result, his work was even more effective than what he did in "The Wonderful Adventure," "The Nigger," "The Plunderer," or any of the other Fox photoplay successes.

of her faithless husband, and has acted it to perfection. Every phase of the character—the gaiety, hopefulness, the motherly love, the dignity, the fidelity to the underserving lover, the sorrow and the resignation—all are faithfully pictured. The powerful emotionalism which she puts into the tragic portrayal will make it stand head and shoulders above all her previous performances—even the immortal "Tess of the Storm Country."

For the production of this masterpiece, which has the distinction of being the first work of an American author to be converted into a grand opera, one of the highest authorities on Japanese customs and costumes in New York City was especially engaged in order that no detail of scene or property could possibly be overlooked. The most magnificent Japanese gardens in the United States were obtained as settings for the tragedy and nothing was omitted which could add to the effectiveness of the presentation.

### "The Mistle of Jerry McGuire" At The Arcana Tonight

"The Mistle of Jerry McGuire" is the feature attraction at the Arcana tonight. It is a thrilling 101 Bison railroad drama with Helen Holmes in the feature role. Helen Holmes is known as one of the most fearless actresses in the silent drama. She has taken exciting parts in a number of railroad dramas and was featured in the famous and celebrated "Hazards of Helen" series. In this two reel production she is seen running a big locomotive with a young girl by her side. It is a picture that is sure to please.

"Father's Helping Hand" is an exciting Nestor comedy. Billie Rhodes and Ray Gallagher is featured with Violet McMillan and William Rowland. The ninth episode of "The Black Box" entitled "Lost in London," featuring Herbert Rawlinson, Anna Little and William Worthington.

Henry M. Walthall and Edna Mayo, the leads in "The Misleading Lady," and a troupe of actors which was used in the big Essanay production, descended on Milwaukee for five days and took thirty scenes there.

"Buckleberry Finn," "Puddin' Head Wilson," and other Mark Twain immortals will soon walk out on the screen. Three of the noted novels by George Eliot have also been adapted to the films.

F. G. Hall, of Milton, Wis., nearly choked to death on a nickel, eventually coughed it up and used it the same evening to pay his admission to a movie show. Comment by professional paraphraser and funny men invited.

## Rebekah Party

Close to one hundred Daughters of Rebekahs and Odd Fellows attended the watch party held in the Odd Fellows hall Fifth and Court streets Friday evening. Games and music were features of the meeting which was brought to a close with an old fashioned basket picnic.

## TO INSTALL OFFICERS

Officers will be installed at the regular meeting of the Daughters of Rebekahs Monday evening. The installation will be followed by a social affair which is being looked after by the social committee composed of Sarah Hester, Mrs. Mae Wright and Mrs. Julia McKee.

Seek a position through TIMES WANT ADS. Employers of labor read them carefully.

## GREAT MAN AT TRINITY SUNDAY EVENING

On next Sunday evening Dr. William P. Oldham of New York City will preach at the Trinity church. Dr. Oldham is a great man, widely known not only throughout this country but in many of the foreign mission fields of the world. For many years he was a missionary bishop in foreign field. Now he is one of the corresponding secretaries of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal church. He will bring us a strong and helpful message on Sunday evening, a message which you cannot afford to miss. The service will begin at 7 o'clock. Come and bring a friend.

### A VERY CLEVER IDEA

Alan Jordan is gathering a collection of telephone directories from all of the principal cities of the Union and from cities and towns of the Ohio valley for the benefit of the traveling men who stop at the Washington hotel.

## Sciotoville Lodge To Install Tonight

A rousing meeting will be held by Orient Lodge No. 337 I. O. O. F. of Sciotoville tonight when the installation of officers will be followed by a social affair. Every member is expected present to enjoy the supper. Willard Berkman, district deputy and grand

## Your Health

Edited by John B. Landis, M. D., Health Officer of Cincinnati

Committee on Public Department of The Times Conducted in Co-operation with Health Education, Ohio State Medical Association.

### New Year's Resolutions

The season of generosity, good cheer, and new, good resolutions is at hand. Following a long established custom it is the correct and proper thing to start right and to keep right during the coming year.

For these reasons and the additional one that by keeping right great good will accrue to you and to all your friends you are urged to give your active and moral support to the following resolutions:

1. Recognizing that the stomach is the most important organ in the department of the interior, I hereby resolve that its work shall be made easy and its burden light by moderate meals taken at regular intervals; that these meals shall be well masticated by sound teeth, in a mouth free from defects of every kind and that my food shall be a "well balanced ration" in order that it may perform the work for which it is taken with as little damage to my body as is possible.

2. Realizing that pure air is of the greatest importance in securing and maintaining good health and a maximum amount of physical and mental efficiency, I hereby resolve to work, sleep and take my recreation in an atmosphere as nearly like that found in "God's Out of Doors" as is possible; to refuse to patronize theaters, movie shows, lodge rooms, churches, schools or any other public place where those in authority refuse, or fail, to supply me with an unpolluted atmosphere; to leave such places immediately and, in doing so, to notify the one responsible for my comfort that I have withdrawn my patronage until such time as he recognizes his responsibility to the public, and to treat my lungs to a thorough airing by taking numerous, deep breaths in the open air every day.

3. Believing as I do that regular and temperate habits are conducive of good health, a long life and to human happiness and efficiency, I do hereby resolve that I will sleep at least eight hours out of each twenty-four; that I will leave the table before my appetite is duller, that I will

walk several miles in the open air every day; that I will avoid late hours and fatiguing forms of dissipation that break down the natural resistance of the body to disease and that I shall do all in my power to spread the gospel of disease prevention to other people.

4. Recognizing the beneficent influence upon health, exercised by consciousness of some kind act done, I resolve to let the sun set on no day that fails to record a kind act shown to some one less fortunate than I; to avoid marring the mind of any one with the scars left by acts of cruelty, extortion, persecution or other offense; and that throughout the year I shall try to "do unto others as I would have them do unto me."

5. Feeling that one good resolution deserves another, I hereby resolve that the four preceding ones shall be adopted as a whole, not for a limited period of one year but for all time.

Part that you are temporarily out of a job make your whole future look black. Read TIMES WANT ADS.

## Bells And Whistles Give A Noisy Welcome To New Year

With the usual clanging of bells and the tooting of whistles and horns the year of 1916 was ushered in Portsmouth with the inevitable din that always attends the birth of a new year. Portsmouth with open wide eyes welcomed the new year in her customary noisy and boisterous manner.

Promptly at 11:30 last night the din began and it lasted for fully ten minutes. Bells and whistles of all kinds joined in the welcome accorded the new year and without any formalities 1916 arrived.

As usual no doubt there were many who were glad to see the old year gasp ferbly and then land in its cheeks because it had brought no particular prosperity to them and there were those to whom the year had been a year.

Revelers thronged down town business sections as usual last night and they were on hand to give the new year a most hearty welcome. There were the usual watch parties in the city, where guests assembled to assist in bidding farewell to 1915 and to take part in the christening of a new year.

## Regular Patent Medicine Story In New Directory

By Mrs. A. M. R. When I began taking Little Early Reiser pills I was so low that my friends thought I would die. I also had lost all hope of being a "peace angel" and had begun to see visions of Crossin the Barr and being a real Angel. Paynes Pierced my heart and Storius swept over my brain. My blood was thin and I became

Cross and peevish. I lost in White—in fact—I became so Long and Weakly that I could scarcely Krahl. On getting up in the morning I would stagger around like a drunk man. I tried Anglin (first feeding the Fish), I tried to Read and I also tried wireless telegraphy, all to no avail. My Nourse recommended Little Early

Reiser pills and in my desperation I decided to give them a trial. After taking one Doss I was Well and Strong again, but I have not a Gayhart for I left Stockham in a Huff. When I have reached Washington D. See and apologized to Wood Rowe Wilson I'll go home and Lovine the rest of my Days.

HENRY FORD.

## In The Canal Zone The French Hate Both English And The Germans, Writes Soldier Boy

Sergeant James C. Skidmore, Company H, Twenty-seventh U. S. Infantry, who is a native of Cincinnati, Ky., and has two brothers living in Portsmouth, again writes interestingly to Mayor Frick regarding conditions in the Panama Canal Zone.

Sergeant Skidmore who has been stationed at Corozal for some months past, expects to sail from the Pacific coast side of the canal zone for Manila, Philippine Islands on January 15. He writes that the work of re-movng the big slides in the canal is progressing nicely and that light tugs and vessels will be able to pass through soon but that it is hard to tell about the heavier ones. He weighs in with a big boost for Governor-general Goethals, who supervised the construction of the big ditch. He says all of the army boys are proud of him. He says that he made the tropical zone a healthy place to live in. He provided fine quarters for the people working on the canal as well as for the troops. He adds that General Goethals is only an example of the kind of men the

U. S. army has for commanders, and should ever the country become involved in war they could be relied upon to render a good account of themselves, and with such men as he is at the head the country is undoubtedly safe.

Sergeant Skidmore refers to the open gambling practiced in the canal zone as one of the worst evils of the country. He says lottery tickets are sold on the streets. The natives do not receive much pay for their labor. The best positions are held by white men. The business men are chiefly Americans, Germans and Spaniards. The Germans and English do not seem to harbor any bad feeling for each other like they do back in the States. One can see them going to lunch together and otherwise mingle with each other but the French there all seem to hate both the Germans and English.

Sergeant Skidmore writes that he cannot understand this attitude on the part of the French, but it nevertheless remains a fact that the French of the canal zone hate the English and Spanish. The Germans of the zone are the most

prosperous of its business men. Sergeant Skidmore does not look for the world war to end before 1918. Both sides are more determined than ever and Germany has the best of the conflict on land with her armies, while England still retains control of the seas with her fleet. Now that Austria has yielded to the United States' demands in the Ancona case he can see no reason why this country should break off diplomatic relations with that empire. He expresses great admiration for the wonderful fighting ability of the Montenegrins and immense surprise at the Bulgarians fighting side by side with Turkey. The same he says might be said of the Russians and French but he adds that it is hard to understand those countries—they perhaps do not understand themselves.

Sergeant Skidmore says the European war ought to make Americans feel proud of their position, who does not want war if it can be avoided. He himself is glad that President Wilson is a man whom the people can trust. He would sure he as aggressive and conscientious in war times as he has been in peace.

### Head Gashed

John Carter was the name given by a well dressed man, who, while intoxicated, dropped in his tracks at Eleventh and Waller streets, Friday night, sustaining an ugly gash on the head. City Physician W. D. Schaefer sewed up his wound after which Officer Beaumont looked him up for safe keeping.

### Columbus Visitor

Walter Glenn, a former local N. & W. machinist, now employed in the company's round house at Columbus, is here on a visit to relatives and friends.

### Two New Ben Hurs

Two new applications for membership were received at the regular weekly meeting of Portsmouth club. Tribe of Ben Hur, Friday night. Dancing followed the business meeting.

Grand Prize, Panama-Pacific Exposition, San Francisco, 1915  
Grand Prize, Panama-California Exposition, San Diego, 1915

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DORCHESTER, MASS.

Mary Pickford As Cho-Cho-San in "Madame Butterfly" Coming To The Lyric Tuesday

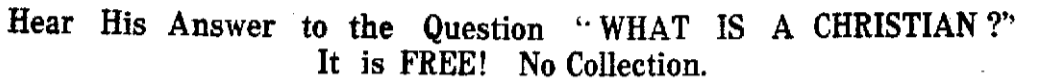
The infinite beauty of "Madame Butterfly", in which the Famous Players Film Company is starring the exquisite Mary Pickford at the Lyric theatre on Tuesday, places this Paramount picture among the few really great productions which have ever been given to the motion picture public. The foremost producers have again scored a triumph by the masterly manner in which the film version of this celebrated tragedy has been presented. Every detail of staging is correct and artistic in the extreme. It breathes the very spirit, life and atmosphere of Japan.

Mary Pickford upon whom the burden of the play falls, has another admirable opportunity of proving how capable and gifted an artist she is, and her success is complete. She has assumed this role—the first Oriental character that she has ever played—of the loving, devoted Japanese wife who waits patiently for the return

## Eleven Homicides Are In The List, Also Many Drownings

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# HURRYUP YOST SAYS RANGY MEN WILL GET CALL

## Michigan Coach Is Planning To Stage Come Back In 1916

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Jan. 1.—"Give me the twenty men I want for the Michigan football team next year and I will make a clean sweep of the 1916 schedule,"

This is the promise of Head Coach Fielding Yost, who has already begun to build his 1916 team out of the wreckage of the 1915 eleven. The word of the Wolverine's wizard coach has already been given to the campus and athletic association officials and students alike are preparing to do the bidding of their veteran gridiron mentor. To accomplish this Yost desires the assistance of every Michigan man for the athletes who are wanted must be helped to prepare themselves.

Every man of the twenty whom Yost has named is now a student in the university. In some cases the scholarship standing of the particular man is under a cloud. In other cases pressure will be needed to bring the individual out for the eleven. The assistance which Yost is asking and which will be given by the whole Michigan student body, lies in the help which will be given the present individuals to improve their scholastic standing, and in the support and encouragement which must be volunteered to those whose own initiative has not brought them out for the coming eleven.

Wants Best Fighters  
"Give me some fighters and I can make a football team out of them,"

This is the second promise of the coach. And it is the keynote of his plans for 1916. Yost is through with the type of player who does not possess that all-important essential of a good football man, the gridiron "scraper."

Yost wants men like the players of former Wolverine eleven. He uses as his example the players who were wont to literally tear an All-Fresh team to pieces should that All-Fresh team presume to gain ground in any of the daily scrimmages. "Germany" Schultz knows the kind of men Yost wants and he uses the same example that Yost does. Here's the way he puts it:

## Ironsides Make Clean Sweep, Take 3 From Corn Crackers

Team	W.	L.	Per.
Corn Crackers	12	1	92.0
Ironsides	15	12	55.0
Spiders	15	10	60.0
Submarines	15	9	62.0
Blond Killers	15	8	66.7
Bald Eagles	15	7	68.3
Rebels	15	6	71.4
Corn Shuckers	15	5	75.0
Clod Hoppers	15	4	78.6
Spiders	12	3	80.0
Submarines	15	1	93.3

Games Next Week  
Giants vs. Cement Specialists, alleys 1 and 5, Tuesday evening.  
Bald Eagles vs. Rebels, alleys 2 and 3, Tuesday evening.  
Ironsides vs. Submarines, alleys 4 and 5, Thursday evening.  
Corn Shuckers vs. Clod Hoppers, alleys 4 and 5, Friday evening.  
Spiders vs. Ironsides, alleys 2 and 3, Friday evening.

Aided and abetted by the splendid work of their captain, Earl Clare, the Ironsides and the Corn Shuckers, a three-nothing trouncing at the Play House alleys, Friday evening and advanced to fourth place in the league race. Captain Clare was a host, getting 193 for a starter. He sort of fell off in his next two efforts, but was there in a pinch and carried his team to victory. The game between the Spiders and Cement Specialists, which was scheduled for Friday evening, was postponed until some day next week.

Outside of the work of Captain Clare, there was nothing over which spectators could enthuse. The Corn Shuckers were away below par, their scores being very unimpressive. And at the beginning of the new year, there is no real reason why this writer should hand the players anything that can be construed as a punch under the ribs. But nevertheless the only thing that does save 'em is the fact that it is the glad-some holiday time, and a resolution to lay off this planning business for at least one day. At that Captain Strittmatter—well, his 103 looks like a chummed bucket of sour cream, curds and all. The scores:

Team	W.	L.	Per.
Corn Shuckers—			
Briggs	99	142	123
S. Shaw	118	126	163
Strittmatter	125	137	163
J. G. Shaw	125	125	125
Willehm	149	132	123
Totals	616	652	637
Ironsides—			
Engle	138	152	169
Moore	136	140	164
Hilly	167	143	127
Myland	101	97	156
Clare	193	147	161
Totals	635	679	639

West Siders Visit City  
Postmaster Alex W. Gibson, James E. Strickland and James H. H. of Detroit, were business visitors in the city, Friday.

Barker Lake Has Resigned  
Barker Lake, of Front street, has given up his position as fireman at the Decker Farming Brick Company's plant.

Sup. John A. Adams of the county authority, made a business trip to Detroit, Friday.

Visible need on all enamel work by Brehmer, the Painter, 111

## REMOVAL OF THE BIG SMOKE IMPROVES FIGHT GAME; ALL CLASSES PROSPER



Since Jess Willard chased Jack Johnson from the fight game last April there has been a very considerable improvement in all classes of boxing. So long as the big smoke was king of the heavy boxing activities seemed to languish, but now that a white champ reigns there is a new spirit in every class.

## GEE, BUT JOE WAS DISAPPOINTED

Director Gergens and Assistant New Year's present of cuffs and buttons—just what his heart desired. Joe was somewhat suspicious, however, and entering a private room opened the parcel and found it contained a big and rusty old tin can.

## CALIFORNIA TO VOTE ON PROHIBITION

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 1.—A petition was filed with the secretary of state containing the submission to the people of the state of a proposition for absolute prohibition in California. It carried the prohibition law would go into effect January 1, 1920.

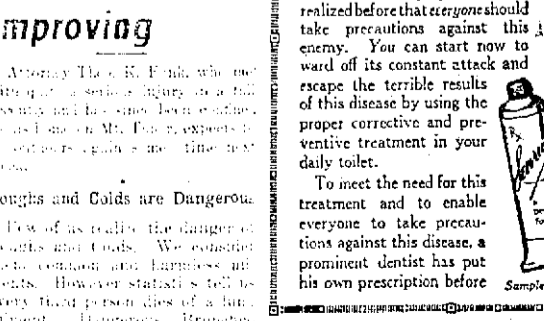
The prohibition proposition will be placed on the ballot at the regular November elections. A second petition which would be submitted to the electorate proposition to stop retail sale of intoxicants, but to permit wholesale liquor trading from January 1, 1918, will be filed with the secretary soon, the promoters assert.

Who Lost A Ring?  
St Straus, proprietor of the Straus Dependable Store on Chillicothe street, has a valuable gold band ring in his possession which he is anxious to return to the rightful owner. The ring was left in a pair of gloves that one of Mr. Straus customers had exchanged in his store.

Charles Coey Visited Here  
Charles Coey, a former criminal in the local courts of the E. & O. S. W., now an employee with the same company at Chillicothe, spent Friday visiting friends here.

Mr. Funk Improving  
Attorney Thos. K. Funk, who was with a serious injury, is a full recovery and has since been making his home in the city. He is expected to be in the city again in a few days.

Coughs and Colds are Dangerous.  
Few of us realize the danger of Coughs and Colds. We consider them common and harmless ailments. However, statistics tell us every third person dies of a lung ailment. Dangerous. Bronchitis and Lung diseases follow a neglected cold. As your body struggles against cold germs, no other aid can be had than Dr. King's New Discovery. Its merit has been tested by old and young. In use over 45 years, it is a battle today. Avoid the risk of serious lung ailments. Druggists.



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## THE ETERNAL QUESTION

Here is one question which many people ask: "Why do critics compare Charley Barrett with Mahan. It ought to be Mahan compared with Barrett."

## MARTIN FOR RHOADES

Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—The Philadelphia National league baseball club announced today that it had traded shortstop Jack Martin for Pitcher Rhoades of the Milwaukee American Association team. Martin played with the 3rd Paul team last season and was recalled by the Philadelphia club. Rhoades is a young right hander.

## Here Is An Innovation

A shorter training trip is planned for the Reds, who evidently intend to carry their pennant-winning spirit into the actual playing season.

## DETAINED IN CAPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. William Montan, of Washington, D. C., who were to have arrived here Saturday for a visit to local relatives, wired Friday that owing to pressing business matters Mr. Montan would be unable to get away from the Capital City. He recently received a fine appointment in South America.

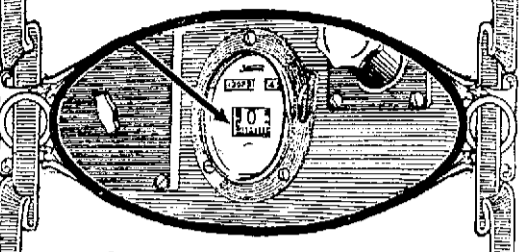
## CAN STAND A FOOT

It was stated Friday that the Ohio river will have to rise another foot before it will stop work on the Lawson Run viaduct. Work on the viaduct was suspended today.

## WHITE FRONT REPAINTED

Clarence Courtney and a force of painters are re-decorating the front of Frank White's jewelry store on Second street.

## Maxwell The "Wonder Car"



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## FLORIDA WINTERS

are ideal for a few weeks vacation or for longer if one has the time to spend the entire winter in that delightful climate. It is becoming the custom more and more every year for people to take a winter vacation and make a short trip to Florida. For those who desire to make a two or three weeks visit to Florida the

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## Has Heard From Raft Of Youngsters

Manager Ches Spencer is keeping in touch with his players. He has heard from 25 youngsters during the winter months, who are anxious to get a try out on with the local team. "I expect to sign many of these players and have them report here next spring," said Mr. Spencer last night.

## Salary Is Slashed

Mr. Christopher Matthews' salary is going to be slashed.  
Next year Matty is going to hand down \$10,000 instead of \$12,000. That is what the Federal league has done for those high salaried boys.

## IS RUNNING PLAY HOUSE Oh You Feds

Jerry Sachs, who was with the local club last spring and later on with the Ironsides, has opened a Play House in Cleveland, and according to word he sends local friends, he is doing fine in the Forest City.

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# FORECAST FOR THE YEAR 1916

By GABRIEL NEITH

WITH the coming of the new year it is pleasant to forget all the horrors of 1915, but we who study the stars foresee that 1916 will transcend in startling events, upheavals of nature and waste of human life any twelve months in previous history. The record of the new year, however, will not be altogether somber, for 1916 will be a period of greatest extremes. While all the forces of nature appear to unite for the destruction of material things, there will be a clearer vision concerning the unseen world. Counterbalancing greed, cruelty and selfishness, heroism, kindness and sacrifice will tend to uplift the races of men.

Doubtless the first question in every mind will be: What do the stars predict concerning the war? The answer is that the end is far off. Although there will be periods when a strong current appears to be carrying the conflicting nations toward peace, it is not likely that the great world combat will end until 1918. One of the times when peace appears probable will be in March, 1916, and the other in the summer of 1918.

## A War of Cycles.

This is a cyclic war. The subcycle of Mars, the warrior, began with the equinox of 1909, in the cycle of Jupiter, the builder of fame. Where the period of Saturn, the subduer, came in 1914, the war-cloud burst, and it is probable that the conflict will continue until 1918, when dawns the period of Venus, human love and sympathy.

Unfortunately, the subcycle of Mars continues until 1944, and even though there may be a temporary cessation of hostilities in 1916 or 1918, war is likely to break out with renewed vigor later. Unless peace is attained in the spring of 1916, Holland, Norway and Sweden may become involved in the war. There are also certain indications that March and June may be months of peril for the United States, through internal troubles as well as external dangers.

Germany comes under a threatening sway of the planets in January and March. The death of a high official, possibly a member of the royal family, is foreshadowed. Discontent will breed in all classes, and the policy of the war lords may be severely criticized. Disasters at sea are indicated. May shows peril for either the Kaiser or the Crown Prince. The summer is more encouraging, but an adverse change in December, 1916, precedes sudden and startling events.

## A Crisis and a Recovery.

England has rather a dubious augury, including sudden reverses for January, danger from air raids the first week in February and catastrophes on the seas. While the navy may gain in June, losses are likely in the middle of the month. Trouble over loans is presaged for the summer. September brings a crisis, followed by an upward sweep for the better in December.

Italy may expect victories and reverses in rapid succession. Riots over food and credit are probable. Conditions should improve in May, but a member of the cabinet will be in trouble. From September, 1916, to May, 1917, lost ground should be regained, if the King escapes danger from the late spring to midsummer. Belgium has little hope of better times until 1918 or 1919. Peril and losses threaten King Albert in February. Women and children may suffer additional horrors. More public buildings may be destroyed.

France should find its financial condition improved during the course of the year. The army may suffer setbacks in March and April, followed by heavy losses in July and August. Gains are prognosticated for early April and June. In November and December, treachery may be uncovered, and the end of this new year of 1916 probably will be a crucial time. There is menace for the life of President Poincaré in March and April and again in July and August.

## Peril for the Russian Bear.

Russia has little hope of encouragement in the message of the planets. January and February should expose a chain of conspiracy extending back to June, 1915. For the Czar serious losses and possible injury are foreshadowed. April is an adverse month, and he may expect little good until after August. If he survives, next December will bring gain to him.

Austria has little promise of great change. The aged Emperor may die in early spring or summer.

Holland has a sinister augury. Events having their origin in 1915 will reach a climax in July. Personal danger to the royal family and loss

of estates or property belonging to the realm are to be expected. There is an ill omen for January and March, when dangers on sea and land are forecast, and possibly an invasion by a hostile army. Sudden and severe catastrophes are probable.

Norway shows intrigues and conspiracies from January to June. In March conditions involving naval activities are foretold. From April to November the outlook is serious.

Sweden may have a threatening time in January, and again in June. A crisis in international affairs may be postponed until December.

## The Element of Surprise.

Although the United States begins the new year more blessed than any country in the world, the stars forewarn the people that they should prepare for a year of startling events. Business conditions probably will be much affected, since the element of surprise is prominent in all public affairs. Men and women of every class are counseled to be most conservative in their expenditures. The year will be a time for safeguarding money and property.

Those who speculate are warned of extraordinary fluctuations in the stock market. These will be followed by scandals caused by failures and embezzlements. The sudden death of a person of prominence in banking affairs is prognosticated. Two financiers will end life, one in January and one in July. Foreign loans will be much discussed. Brokers and speculators should be especially careful in the autumn, as the last of September and the first of November are under a sinister rule. The coming summer, July 1 to 15, is under an unfavorable sway of the planets. Bankers are forewarned that the public mind will readily entertain fear. They should guard against possible runs on banks and consequent failures on stock exchanges. New York and Philadelphia come under a direction that indicates excitement. There is also an aspect that may mean repudiation of foreign credit.

Partners will reap large returns from crops, but unsatisfactory conditions may cause losses. Cold and dark weather is indicated; storms of unusual violence may cause heavy losses of livestock. Breeders of horses and cattle have the promise of large profit, but they should take precautions against the spread of contagious disease.

## Nature in a Savage Mood.

Floods on the northwestern coast of the United States are prognosticated. Seattle may suffer damage. Disasters under ground may be numerous. Mining has an unlucky sign, read as indicating accidents from explosions and fires. Santa Fe, El Paso, Bismarck and Leadville have an ill omen.

High tides and floods are likely to cause losses in eastern and Atlantic seaboard states.

The eclipses of the year tend to high winds and destructive tempests. The Panama Canal may be severely damaged in the last week of January and the first week of February. The last of July, the first of August and the end of October also are unfortunate times, in which damage that is costly may be looked for.

Earthquakes may be more numerous and more widely experienced than in previous years. The middle west and Central America may be disturbed by shocks January 20, 30, and 31; Canada and the central of the Atlantic states, April 17 to 24, which time will also be dangerous for the West Indies and the Panama Canal. These seismic phenomena may be especially severe at sunrise and sunset. In South America and Central India these upheavals of nature may take the form of landslides and tidal waves, windstorms, tornadoes, and cyclones. Special dates read for these cataclysms are as follows: Winnipeg to Galveston, Vera Cruz and Guatemala, January 31 and February 1; Dawson to Tahiti and Manila, February 3; western Pennsylvania, Charleston, the island of Jamaica, the Bahamas, Ecuador and Peru, February 13. In the summer the following dates are probable: Winnipeg to Galveston and Central America, the Sonora River, Lower California, western Arizona and Nevada, Helena and Butte, Mont., July 13 and 14. Floods and disasters from the air—possibly severe heat and thunderstorms are indicated for the north Atlantic coast about July 26, when Jamaica, Porto Rico, Haiti, San Domingo and the Panama Canal are apt to suffer severely. There is a tendency to fire, eruption or seismic shock in the Yu-

**WAR** probably will continue until 1918, although March, 1916, may bring strong hopes of peace.

As the subcycle of Mars continues until 1944, this will not be the last conflict of the nations of the world.

March and June will be memorable months in the United States because of internal troubles as well as external dangers.

Germany may suffer adverse conditions in January and March. Death of a person of rank, possibly a member of the royal family, is indicated.

England should expect peril from air raids from February 3 to February 7. Personal danger for the King or one of his sons in March.

Italy has a forecast of alternate victories and reverses. Trouble for a member of the Cabinet in May.

Belgium has little hope of escaping from its overshadowing cloud of calamities until 1918 or 1919.

France may suffer reverses in March and April, followed by heavy losses in July and August. President Poincaré should safeguard his life.

Russia will uncover a long train of treachery. Personal injury to the Czar is probable. April will be unlucky with adverse direction until August.

Holland has the forecast of much trouble and possible invasion.

The United States may expect many surprising events that affect both business and political conditions.

Strikes and riots, with great loss of property, are prognosticated.

There will be sharp rises and declines in the money market.

Death will remove two financiers at times of critical crises, one in January and one in July.

Great naval activity is predicted for the autumn.

A stormy national election is prophesied. Bitter personalities, unexpected political complications and a party split of far-reaching effect are foretold. Army, navy and civil service problems will be much discussed.

Woman suffrage comes under adverse influences. A scandal, caused by the treachery of a political leader, is indicated. A libel case in which an author or scientist is implicated is the probability.

Earthquakes in quarters where seismic disturbances are almost unknown and landslides are to be expected.

The theatrical outlook is not altogether encouraging. Success for serious plays is foreshadowed. A tragedy for one of the big producers and a break in partnership for a leading firm are indicated.

President Wilson has the augury that 1916 will be the most active year of his life. New international problems will multiply, political treachery may be revealed. He should prepare for a campaign of intense strain and great resourcefulness.

ton district July 29, but the influence is more likely to affect Australia.

## Benign Toward the Movies.

The winter solstice and the vernal equinox are not altogether encouraging for theatrical affairs, although they indicate a period of change which will be most beneficial for the future. During the next few months motion pictures will continue under a most fortunate direction of the planets. There is a lucky sign for the introduction of color into the drama of the screen, for educational pictures and for advertising through the use of the camera.

For the legitimate drama new and surprising revolution in the taste of theatergoers is presaged. Success for serious plays instead of the merely frivolous is predicted. A tragedy is foreshadowed among the big producers.

A partnership of the first importance will be broken either by death or by a quarrel. Producers who have large investments are warned of sudden and unexpected events which may afflict four of them, and there is danger of serious bodily injury to

one of the younger men who has made a great personal success.

Owners and managers of theaters are forewarned of a fire or catastrophe, possibly between May 1 and May 9. This is likely to be somewhere in the West or South. This period and the end of June are unlucky, as there may be a severe loss or bankruptcy for a theatrical manager. There is a sign also read as indicating a demonstration or a riot in a place of amusement. A prominent man may die or be assassinated. The summer may bring ill luck for actors, especially those who are engaged in the moving pictures. Accidents on the water or in motor cars are probable. A wreck where many may be lost is foretold for July 26 or August 24. A divorce suit which will create an extraordinary scandal because it affects many prominent persons is prognosticated.

## Bad Outlook for Woman Suffrage.

Woman suffrage is likely to meet many obstacles in 1916, as conditions affecting the campaign for political equality are adverse. A sensational setback or active treachery on the part of politicians probably will

cause a scandal which will produce a libel case against a prominent writer or scientist. Changes in leadership and in campaign methods are likely.

Hospitals and charities should greatly benefit. The new year will bring many demands upon all philanthropic organizations. Churches will engage in new humanitarian movements, and there will be a tendency toward the restoration of a living faith and the harmonizing of science and religion. Reforms will include the reorganization of procedure in the legal world, improvements of courts and the speeding of many forms of litigation. Prisons will occupy much attention, and the treatment of convicts will be radically improved.

With the awakening to a knowledge and consciousness of the occult world and a new interest in regard to the psychological and subliminal conditions, there will be extraordinary imaginative work in art, music and literature. The coming of the superman and the superwoman will be heralded.

In connection with the labor trou-

bles, strikes and riots, many catastrophes are indicated. Railroad accidents and explosions are probable in the middle West. There may be serious trouble in the southeast (possibly in Virginia) which will stir the country. Fires and disturbances are probable in Washington, D. C., or near the national capital. New York city comes under an adverse rule from July to November. The figure is threatening for the safety of railroads and steamers. There may be strikes among longshoremen and among railway employees. A tragedy on the water is forecast late in May. This forbidding of the planets may tend to produce sudden reverses when conditions seem to promise peace and prosperity. A serious catastrophe long foretold to the principal city in the United States may occur before next November.

The new year may add a long record of deaths among artists, musicians, actors and writers who have attained high place. The close of brilliant careers will mark the beginning of new schools in all lines of artistic endeavor. The year 1916 will be a time in which "old things shall pass away."

Throat and ear troubles are likely to be prevalent, especially in March, stomach and nerve maladies also will be more numerous than usual.

The political forecast for 1916 gives warning of personal discussions, party splits and disorganizing influences. The presidential campaign is likely to be one of the bitterest and hardest fought in history, if the reading of the stars is to be believed. Civil service, postal affairs, the army and the navy will contribute complications to the usual problems that confront candidates.

## Advent of a Mighty Leader.

The rise of a resourceful and powerful leader is indicated. New figures will appear in the political arena, and bitterness will be injected into public issues. Personalities will be introduced into contests for office, and scandals will be uncovered. Both orators and editors will come under a rule that inclines toward vituperation and rancor. The same occult forces that make for cruelty in the war will be at work in the political contest.

President Wilson's horoscope reveals many great forces at work for him. He will have a year of tremendous responsibility, the greatest in his life. In an hour of grave emergency he will rise to the zenith of his power and will gain great honor. There is a sign read as indicative that political plots laid in December will be revealed in late January and February. He is warned against possible treachery on the part of one-time friends. March is a time when he should take care of his health and protect himself against overwork and worry. He should be aware of accidents this month and in the first two weeks in April.

## Critical Period for the President.

July probably will bring the President many anxieties, especially in regard to naval affairs, and May is also a time for more or less worry. Congress will give him trouble, for it is predicted that delays in passing bills, especially those carrying important appropriations, will be exceedingly

embarrassing. In the Senate serious opposition may develop. The session may be one of much oratory and filibustering.

A candidate for President will gain much publicity and win support early in the spring. He will be a man little heralded and may cause intense feeling that will produce party schisms.

President Wilson's chief concern, however, will not be politics, but the national welfare. The lunations of January and February are threatening strikes among longshoremen and among railway employees. While both February and May are water is forecast late in May. This forbidding of the planets may tend to produce sudden reverses when conditions seem to promise peace and prosperity. A serious catastrophe long foretold to the principal city in the United States may occur before next November.

With all the dangers and troubles presaged by the planets, there is the augury of many wonderful achievements in the next twelve months. Science will announce inventions that will be epoch-making, literature will add poets and novelists of high rank to its lists, music will become a national concern and religion will be more and more a practical everyday practice of faith and right living.

## WOMEN DOCTORS IN DEMAND IN EUROPE

Female Physicians Paid Large Salaries Due to Need Caused by War.

The present war, in draining the belligerent countries of their male population, has naturally thrown unwanted responsibilities on women. In various callings, positions from which women had previously been rigorously excluded, or to which they had been admitted only under protest, are now being thrown open, and women are eagerly invited to enter. In the medical profession especially the demands of the military service have produced a deficiency in the supply of civilian practitioners which can be remedied only by utilizing the services of women physicians.

The London correspondent of the Journal of the American Medical Association reports that the medical journals in Great Britain are full of advertisements offering posts to women, and that the situation has become so acute that a large hospital sent an application to the secretary of the London School of Medicine for Women, "Send us any woman at any salary." A daily newspaper also states, on the authority of the London School of Medicine for Women, that an infirmary post in the Whitechapel district, previously held only by a man at a salary of £2,000 a year, is now advertised as open to a woman at £1,000 and emoluments.

This extreme demand for women, of course, cannot continue indefinitely after the close of the war. Still, for many years after the cessation of hostilities, it will probably be literally impossible to fill all medical posts with men exclusively as heretofore. Not only will the medical staffs of the armies in the field retain women students with rare distinction by the hazards and hardships of war, but also the younger generation of men physicians will be greatly depleted for a time by the fact that the young men who should be acquiring a medical education are entering the army. This prospect of a continuance of the demand for women physicians, at least for some years, has caused a marked increase in the number of women medical students. The registration in the London School of Medicine for Women has doubled. Other British medical schools and hospitals are said to be considering the admission of women, and even the Church of England, it is reported, has already opened its doors to women students.

In Germany, according to press reports, in spite of the absence of the customary number of American, Russian, English and Swiss women students, the enrollment of women medical students has risen from 84 to 1,153, and the entry of German women in the medical course has been greatly facilitated by a recent measure recognizing the diplomas of girls' schools as adequate entrance credit throughout the empire.

While at the close of the war men will tend to displace women physicians again to a greater or less extent, it may be taken for granted that the old order will never be reestablished in its entirety. If there are fields of medical work for which women are entirely unfitted, the fact will have been demonstrated and they will be replaced as speedily as possible. But if there are posts which a competent woman may fill as well as a competent man (it is said, by the way, that even in the organization and administration of Red Cross units women have done excellent service), it will be impossible for conservatism any longer to deny all opportunity to women. If there is any department of medicine to which women are especially adapted, that fact also will probably have been demonstrated on a larger scale than has hitherto been possible. After the war, in short, there will be a readjustment accompanied by more or less friction; but European women physicians may undoubtedly look forward in the anxiety to find a field from which old prejudices have been to a considerable degree eliminated by the pressure of necessity. It will be interesting to see what use they make of their enlarged opportunities.

## ARMENIAN GIRLS AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SAVED ONLY THEIR LIVES



This picture shows a group of Armenian girls and women who escaped death at the hands of the Turks, seeking refuge in a Greek city. Stories of Armenian atrocities relate the massacre of entire villages.

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## WHY PEACE IS IMPOSSIBLE

If Germany, warned by the example of Napoleon, is now ready for peace, it is only a "victorious peace," a peace of her own sort. She recognizes that she has reached that point to which Napoleon came in 1809, when having made France great, he persisted in war and in consequence lost his throne, while his country lost his conquests and those of the revolution. But her enemies cannot make peace on any terms that are conceivable in the premises, for such a peace would spell ruin.

Even if Germany were prepared today to evacuate Belgium, cede Metz and the French-speaking districts of Lorraine to France, persuade or compel Austria to give up Trieste and the Trentino to Italy, Galicia to Russia, even if she were willing to surrender her African colonies to Britain, these nations could not and would not make peace, for even with these concessions Germany would still threaten the future of all her foes.

In Paris, in London, in Petrograd the conviction persists that if the war continues Germany will be unable to endure the terrible strain; that, inferior in population, wealth, resources, deprived of ocean trade, she will presently break down as did France in 1814, despite the splendor of Napoleonic victories and the greatness of imperial conquests. They believe that another year or two of war will bring home to the German people, as the Napoleonic wars brought home to the French, the fact that the conquest of Europe is impossible and that the price of pretending to be a supreme race is found in misery and death, in taxation and suffering, not in wealth, in happiness, or in glory.

The Allied economists and generals have figured it all out. They believe that for a price that the Allied nations are capable of paying and should pay, Germany can be defeated, worn down, brought to agree to a peace, like that France accepted at Vienna a hundred years ago, which left the France of 1789 intact and took away only the conquests of the Revolution and the Empire. Such a peace will not merely free Belgium and Northern France, but also Serbia. It will leave the Balkan nations free to develop without peril from without. It will abolish the peril to future peace which German supremacy at Constantinople possesses.

Some time in the next year the Allied statesmen and soldiers believe that the German machine will break down. They believe that the cost in life and treasure will be beyond the resources of one nation, which with weak and burdensome allies is facing four great powers and is deprived of communication from the outside world.

When that time comes the enemies of Germany are not now looking forward to a mutilation of Germany. They do not expect, any more, as they did a year ago, that Germany will fly into a dozen parts. A year has made clear that they are fighting a nation, not an emperor; and combating the dream of a people, not the conception of a few ambitious men. They do not expect, certainly not those who possess any semblance of reason, that the people of Germany will destroy their rulers or submit to outside interference with their internal life.

What the Allied statesmen and generals do believe is that the drying up of German resources in men and money will produce a German sentiment for peace, for peace which, aside perhaps from Alsace-Lorraine, may leave Germany intact, but will take from her all her Austrian, Balkan, and Russian conquests and leave her, as France was left after Napoleon fell, still great, but deprived of all that she had won in her bid for Continental supremacy.

It is in this spirit and with this purpose that the new year is opening. The struggle is clearly circumscribed now, and the issues, which will be settled, and having been settled, will give form and substance to Europe for another century, are beginning to appear. The question to be decided is the question of German supremacy in Austria, Poland and the Balkans. The fate of Belgium and France has been decided and the future of both is assured. Great Britain has not been scratched, and she has already gathered in most of Germany's overseas empire and swept the ocean of German ships and commerce.

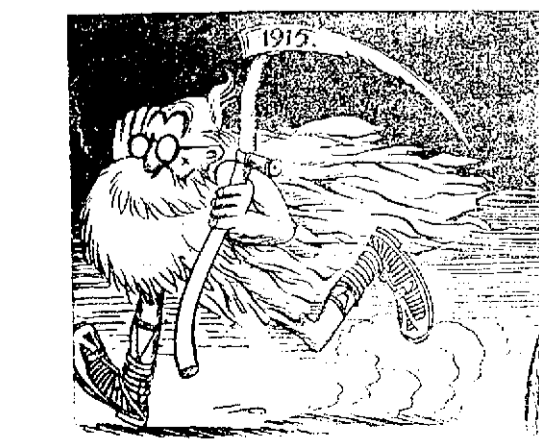
We have passed from a war of conquest to a war of endurance. If Germany can outlast her great foes, she has won the war, not as she hoped to win it, for France and the British Isles are secure. But she has restored the German Empire of the Middle Ages in all its territorial grandeur, and she will be able to give to the form the strength and unity the ancient empire never possessed. If she can endure the attack until her enemies are exhausted, she will rule from Hamburg to Aden, from Schleswig-Holstein to Armenia, and her half at Spain and the Persian Gulf need not be long. From "The War's Vast Horizons," by Frank H. Simmonds, in the American Review of Reviews for January, 1916.

How the glory of the mighty has fallen. The other day the equipment of "Weillert's," a once famous Cox gang resort, was put up at auction and the table about which Boss George B. Cox and his cabinet, with one especially favored benchman used to sit nightly and play the people of the burg as so many pawns, sold for a measly \$20, the chairs being thrown in for good measure. Days were when scores would have paid hundreds just to sit at that table once.

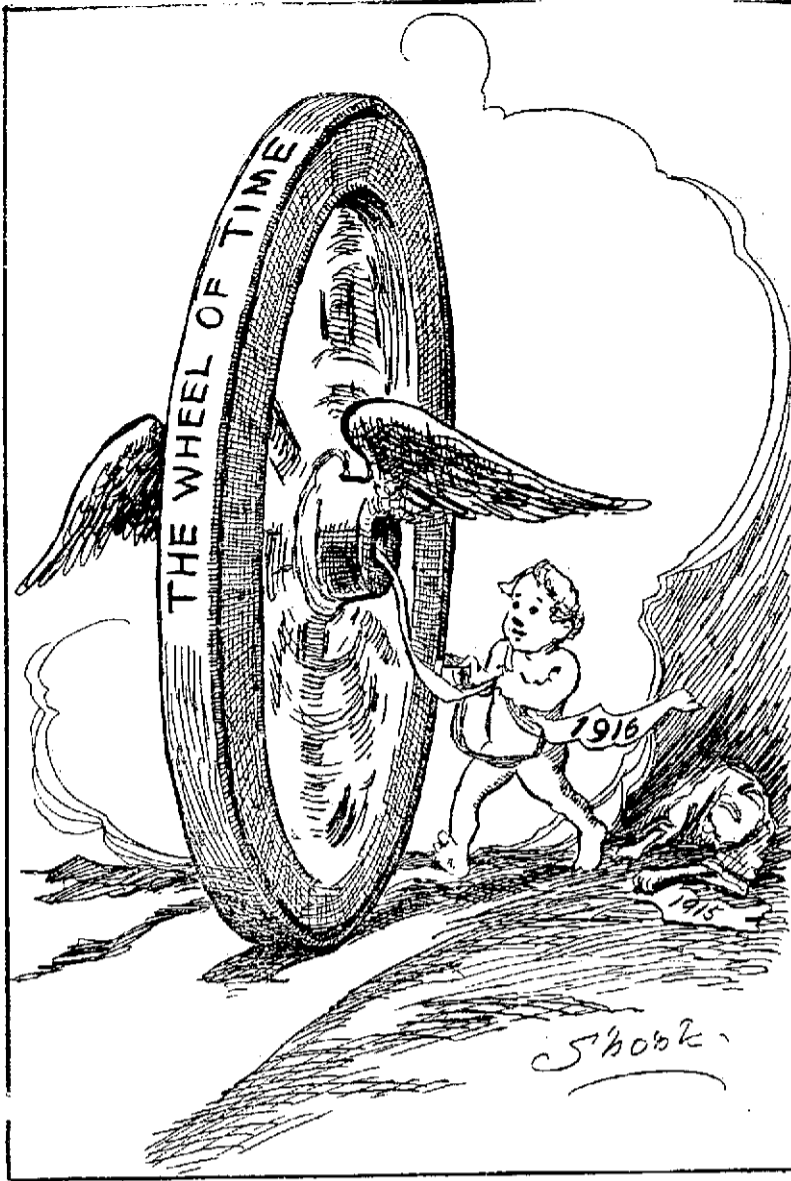
The man who stands on the First National Bank corner every day in the year, holidays included, says that for a New Year's resolution he has determined to take his stand at the curb and not discommode the traveling public by leaning up against the bank building, also he is going to quit looking downward to see whether or not the ladies who pass are wearing short skirts and fur topped shoes.

Huntington, for a daily thrill, has the exploits of her house squad to look up to. Thursday the "squad" captured five citizens on a passenger train, who literally exuded booze. They had concealed on their persons 75 pint bottles of red eye. That is a sample day's work of the sleuths.

## POLLY AND HER PALS



## THE NEW DRIVER



## EXPRESS DELIVERIES

There is much complaint over the arbitrary establishment of delivery zone lines in the city by the express companies. As it is now a person receiving a package by express cannot have it delivered to his residence unless he lives in the territory bounded on the east by Young street and on the north by Grant street. Residents to the east of Young street, or north of Grant street, must call at the express offices for their packages. Of course the local management of the express companies are not responsible for this, the rules being laid down by the foreign owners and managers of the companies. This should not be. It ought to be that any one living within the corporate limits of Portsmouth could have his express matter delivered to him, and if there is any possible way that this can be secured, either by making representation to the express managers or by city legislation, it should be done.

If the express companies will not concede this matter, as simple justice to our people, it might be possible by means of ordinance to compel them to do so. It should be borne in mind that the express companies are public utilities. They make their money through service to the people, and the people should receive the very best of service. On the other hand we have never heard of the management of an express company, and we are speaking not of the local employees, but of the outside owners and managers, identifying themselves in anyway with the growth or struggles of the city. They have never helped out in the raising of money nor in anything of that sort in which the future of the city is involved. Yet they are among the first to reap the harvest.

In this year of 1916 and ever after, we ought to have express matter delivered to any home within the corporate limits, and we ought also to have telegraph messages delivered in the same territory without additional cost.

We get the impression from reading this week's issue of the Portsmouth People's Defender, at West Union, that it does approve very highly of the activities of Judge Blair. Anyway, the Defender takes a column to expressing its own opinion in the matter.

Now you see, now you don't, one day Austria is going to be a democracy over the American incident and the next she is showing a socialist yearning for peace.

Paul Henry Ford's peace party has reached a legitimate base. It has been taken over by those eminent fun makers, Mr. Mott and Mr. Joff.

It is positively dreadful, or deadening, positively, the way these Democratic times are out of joint. The ladies of West Virginia had to be told all Christmas week so that the railroads could gather their cash cows to haul the coal away.

Scioto county ought to build ten miles of paved road in 1916, but it looks like she will have to be satisfied with about five—and the half loaf here is surely better than none.

Roosevelt has declined until his presence in the newspapers is limited to the jibe of the paragrapher.

According to frequent reports the fool who didn't know it was loaded is again at large.

The Peerless is nothing if not hospitable. A new doctor comes to town and an epidemic of grip meets him.

NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY.  
BY O. O. MEINTYRE.

New York, Jan. 1.—Robert Rhode, who left Mr. Keeley's Chicago Hotel, accepted a voluntary assignment to become a star assignment man on the Tribune, was sent out the other evening to one of those annual banquets where a lot of prominent bores were to be found, hours speaking that might be profitably spent at Kelly pool.

When Rhode arrived at the banquet hall in the Hotel Majestic he was not fit company for man or beast. He could have bitten one of the massive onyx pillars in two with nonchalance.

Seated with the rest of the newspaper boys at the press table, he spent his time hoping against hope that an ill-wind would waft the long and luxuriant whiskers of a guest over the flame of a lighted candle on the table. "It is only possible chance to make a story out of this," he waited.

As his grouch grew, one of those fluttering males who always extends the gracious mitt at banquets became a hovering about the press table. He is just dripped good nature. Turning to Rhode, he gurgled: "I beg your pardon, Mr. Reporter, but have you a watch?"

"I did have when I came in," snapped Rhode, and resumed his blasphemous benediction on banquets under his breath.

There has been opened at 293 Central Park West an institution which is quite remarkable in that it is a retreat for those addicted to liquor, cigarettes and drugs, yet there are no locks or bars. The only

against the production of "The Weavers" in New York, and yet all the reviewers praised the play. The producer was told that Hauptmann's play was too gloomy for America and everything was painted encouragingly before the premiere. Somehow the moodiness of the theme struck a responsive note. It has no hero nor heroine, no love interest and no conclusive story. It is simply the reproduction on the stage of a group of men and women trying to be happy while struggling hard for existence.

Broadway hears that not satisfied with the old height frolic, which started at one o'clock in the morning, a well-known producer is to stage a play on a prominent roof next summer, which will begin at 3 a. m. and last until 5. Such a play would appeal to the milkmen, no doubt.

## TORE HIS TROUSERS

Thomas Burton, New Boston mail carrier was riding his bicycle to work Friday morning when it struck a large rock. The wheel stopping suddenly caused Burton to pitch forward over the handle bars. He tore his trousers and broke two spokes in the front wheel.

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## Moose New Year's Ball A Big Success

The First Annual New Year's Ball of the Loyal Order of Moose, given by Peerless lodge at Kendall's hall Friday evening, was a huge success, over one hundred and twenty-five couples attending. The lodge realized a handsome sum, which will be added to its treasury.

The committee in charge of the dance consisted of J. S. Kennedy, Elmer Rader, C. H. Chase, H. M. Mackey, and H. C. Huddleson. The committee also realized handsomely from a souvenir program, filled with advertising. Twenty-two dance numbers were on the program. Music was furnished by the Gusto Trio.

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# SEVERAL HUNDRED LIVES LOST WHEN BRITISH LINER IS SUNK

## AMERICAN CONSUL ON BOARD PERSIA CLAIMED TORPEDOED

London, Jan. 1.—The British liner Persia was sunk Thursday and most of the passengers and crew were lost. Robert McNeely, American consul at Aden, was a passenger on the Persia.

A Lloyd dispatch says that most of the passengers and men of the Persia were lost.

Four boats got clear before the Persia sank. The message to Lloyds says the Persia was on her way from London to Bombay. She was sunk at one o'clock Thursday afternoon.

In addition to Mr. McNeely, two other Americans are known to have been passengers on the Persia when she left London. Charles H. Grant was on his way to Bombay. Edward Rose, a school boy, was on the way from Denver to Gibraltar. Rose probably landed at Gibraltar and was not on board the boat at the time she was sunk.

The Peninsular and Oriental line estimates that 160 or 161 passengers sailed from London on the Persia. A number of these landed at Gibraltar, Marseilles or Malta. No official figures are available.

In addition to the passengers who sailed from London, a large number embarked at Marseilles. The total booked at these points was 231. Of these 87 were women and 25 children. Lord Montague was on the passenger list.

The Persia was a steamer of 7,94 tons gross. She was owned by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation company of London. She sailed from Bombay November 14 for London and was last reported as leaving Gibraltar on December 2.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Official dispatches from London today said the liner Persia was torpedoed and sunk while approaching Alexandria, and nearly all perished.

Officials who were not away for the holiday viewed the news with some anxiety, fearing the sinking of the British liner might complicate the already delicate submarine situation.

Robert Ney McNeely was making his first trip to a consular post for the United States government, having been appointed October 18 last and assigned to Aden. His home is at Monroe, N. C., and he was a member of the North Carolina legislature from 1908 to 1910. He is 32 years old.

## MORE KILLED IN RACE WAR

Blakely, Ga., Jan. 1.—Authorities of Early county, and of Houston county, along the Chattahoochee river in Alabama, were apprehensive today of further rioting growing out of the killing here of Henry Villipiger, an overseer who was shot to death last Wednesday by Irindison Goolshy, a negro farmer, and his

two sons, Mike and Ulysses Goolshy. In the past two days nine negroes have been killed by whites and possesmen hunting Villipiger's slayers, and several white men have been wounded, according to reports here. Late yesterday Ed Law, a negro and his son "Precious" Law,

believed by posse men to have aided the younger Goolshy to reach a train going to Montgomery, Alabama, were killed. Seven negroes were reported slain Thursday.

Fire and Water.  
Salt water is considerably more effective than fresh water in extinguishing fires.

## SHIPS WILL NOT BE SUNK WITH PASSENGERS ABOARD UNLESS RESISTING ORDERS

### Commander Was Punished And Indemnity Offered

### NEW NOTE TO BE SENT TO AUSTRIA

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.—With the tension between the United States and Austria growing out of the destruction of the Italian liner Ancona, broken by Austria's favorable response to the American demands, administration officials today turned their attention to the preparation of another note to the Vienna government.

President Wilson at Hot Springs, Va., is studying the Austrian reply to the official text of which had been transmitted to him by special messenger, immediately after its receipt yesterday from Ambassador Penfield at Vienna. The situation over the Ancona incident is now believed to have cleared up so as not to necessitate the president's return to Washington before the middle of next week.

It is expected, however, he will confer with Secretary Lansing over the long distance telephone regarding the forthcoming note.

The new note will acknowledge Austria's concessions, and also probably will cover the points left by Austria for further discussion. These relate principally to questions of fact which affect Austria's responsibility for what happened before the submarine commander torpedoed the Ancona, the importance of which is lessened by the promise of reparation for loss of American lives, despite the absence of proof as to how they came to their death.

Vienna, (Via London), Jan. 1.—The following note, dated December 28, in answer to the American government's demands concerning the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona by an Austrian submarine, has been delivered to Frederick C. Penfield, the American ambassador:

"In answer to your very esteemed note, No. 1307, of the 21st inst., the subscriber has the honor to be the following most respectfully before His Excellency, the ambassador of the United States of America, Frederick (Penfield) Penfield:

"The Imperial and Royal government agrees thoroughly with the American cabinet that the sacred commandments of humanity must be observed also in war. Just as it has hitherto given at no time and no person occasion to doubt its respect for the commandments in like also in the whole course of this war, which presents such pictures of confusion of moral concepts, has it given numerous proofs of humanitarian sentiments toward enemies as well as toward neutral states and it was not due to this government that it was, a short time ago, not in harmony with the Washington cabinet precisely on a question which it (the Austro-Hungarian government) in harmony with the entire public opinion in

Austria-Hungary, regarded as principally a question of humanity.

**REACH SAFETY.**  
"The Imperial and Royal government can also substantially concur in the principle expressed in the very esteemed note, that private ships, insofar as they do not fire or offer resistance may not be destroyed without the persons aboard being brought into safety.

"The Imperial and Royal government is very responsive to the assurance that the federal government has value upon seeing that the good relations which happily exist between Austria-Hungary and the United States of America are maintained. It reciprocates this assurance most warmly and is now, as heretofore, concerned to render these relations more hearty, so far as lies in its power.

"Guided by the same spirit of frankness as the government of the United States, the Imperial and Royal government, although it does not find in the note frequently referred to, the answer to all the legitimate questions submitted by it, is willing to communicate to the federal government the result of the investigation which in accordance with existing departmental regulations, was begun immediately after the receipt of the first report on the sinking of the Ancona, and which was just recently received.

**SUMMARY OF REPORT.**

"The result of this investigation may be summarized as follows: On November 7, 1915, at 11:20 o'clock in the forenoon, the commander of the submarine observed in latitude 38:30 north, longitude 16:05 east, in foggy weather, a steamer moving rapidly 3000 metres, and one point to starboard, the outlines of a large Italian steamer. He took it at first for a transport steamer and turned about and fired from his rear gun a warning shot far from the vessel.

"Simultaneously he displaced the signal, 'Leave the ship,' the steamer did not stop but rather turned aside, and sought to escape. The commander at first remained stopped for some minutes in order to increase the distance, since he feared that the steamer had a stern gun and would fire at the submarine with it.

"When the distance had reached 1,500 metres he had the pursuit taken up and fired from his forward gun at a decreasing distance six or seven shots, among which he observed three hits.

"Pursuing the chase the steamer went zigzag and stopped only after the third hit. Thereupon the commander ceased firing.

"During the full chase the steamer had already, while at full speed, let some boats with persons in them, fall which immediately capsized. After stopping the steamer began launching boats.

**TWO BOATS FILLED.**  
"From a distance of about 2,500 metres, the commander saw that six boats were filled and moved hastily away from the steamer. Another boat was capsized and floated keel up. The people held onto the hanging lines and to the capsized boat.

"During the further approach of the submarine the commander saw that a great panic reigned aboard and that he had to deal with a passenger steamer, namely the Ancona, from Genoa. Therefore he gave the occupants of the steamer more than was required to leave the ship in life boats.

be hastened, and that on the other adequate opportunity should remain for rescuing the persons still aboard.

**STEAMER ARRIVES.**

"Shortly thereafter a steamer became visible which was throwing out heavy clouds of smoke and headed toward the Ancona. It apparently had been summoned by radio Ancona's wireless. "Since the submarine commander had to reckon on an attack by a steamer which he took for an enemy cruiser, he submerged after having at 12:25 o'clock in the afternoon, had a torpedo fired into the forward baggage hold of the Ancona from a distance of 800 metres. The Ancona listed about ten degrees to starboard after this shot.

"Thereupon an effort was made to lower the lifeboat which already was half turned out on the davits. It broke loose, however, and fell into the water. The lifeboat floated keel down farther and the people held fast to the gunwale.

"For the other boats, none was lowered into the water, although persons could still be observed aboard. The steamer gradually righted itself to an even keel and settled so slowly that the submarine commander at first doubted whether the steamer would sink. Not until 1:20 o'clock did it sink, after a lengthy parallel settling with the sea.

"During these further forty-five minutes all persons yet aboard could have been saved without difficulty with the boats still on hand.

"From the fact that this contrary to his expectations, was not done, the commander concluded that the crew, contrary to all seamen's customs and accomplished their own rescue with the first boats and abandoned to themselves the passengers entrusted to their protection.

"The weather at the time of the incident was good and the sea calm, so that the lifeboats could have reached the nearest coast without danger, as indeed the lifeboats actually were damaged only by the unskillful lowering, but not after they had struck the water.

**COMMANDER TO BLAME.**

"The loss of human lives in the first instance, by no means attributable to the sinking of the ship, but, and in all probability to a much higher measure, to the rapid lowering of the under-mentioned boats, is as well as to the fact that the crew concerned only for itself did not rescue the passengers of the capsized boats.

"It is also probably attributable to shots which hit the fleeing vessel but the death of persons who sank with the steamer is also attributable to the dilatory conduct of the crew.

"As appears from the above summarized state of affairs, the very esteemed note of December 9 is based in many points on incorrect premises. Information reaching the United States government that said shot was immediately fired toward the steamer is incorrect. It is correct that the submarine overhauled the steamer during the chase; it is incorrect that only a brief period was given for getting the people into the boats.

"Finally, it is incorrect that a number of shells were still fired at the steamer after it had stopped.

"The facts of the case demonstrated further that the commander of the submarine granted the steamer a full forty-five minute time, that is more than an adequate period, to give the persons aboard an opportunity to take to the boats. Then since the people were not all saved, he carried out the torpedoing in such a manner that the ship could remain above water the longest possible time doing this with the purpose of making possible the abandonment of the vessel on boats still in hand.

"Since the ship remained a full forty-five minutes above water he would have accomplished his purpose if the crew of the Ancona had not abandoned the passengers in a manner contrary to duty.

**PANIC NOT CONSIDERED.**

"With full consideration, however, of the conduct of the commander, aimed at accomplishing the rescue of the crew and passengers the Imperial and Royal Marine authorities reached the conclusion that he had omitted to take adequately into consideration the panic that had broken out among the passengers which rendered difficult the taking to the boats and the spirit of the regulation that Imperial and Royal marine officers shall never refuse help to nobody in need, not even to an enemy.

"Therefore the officer was punished in accordance with the existing rules for exceeding his instructions."

"The Imperial and Royal government, in the face of this state of affairs, does not hesitate to draw the corresponding conclusions respecting the indemnification of the sinking of the Ancona, but in this regard it makes the following statement: "The investigation into the sinking of the Ancona could naturally furnish no essential point to show in how far a right to an indemnity is to be granted American citizens. The Imperial and Royal government, cannot indeed, even according to the view of the Washington cabinet, be held liable for damages which resulted from the undoubtedly justified bombardment of the fleeing ship.

"It should just a little have to answer for the damages which came to pass before the torpedoing of the ship, through the fatal lowering of lifeboats or the capsizing of lowered boats.

"The Imperial and Royal government must assume that the Washington government is in a position and disposed to give it (the Austro-Hungarian government) the required and certainly not unimportant information in this respect.

"If, however, because of possible lack of material evidence the particular circumstances which American citizens suffered damages should not become known to the United government, the Imperial government, in consideration for the humanely deeply regrettable incident and by a desire to proclaim once again its friendly feeling toward the federal government, would be gladly willing to disregard this gap in the evidence and to extend indemnities also to those damaged whose cause cannot be established.

"The undersigned has the honor to request most respectfully that His Excellency, the ambassador of the United States of America, will be pleased to bring the foregoing to the attention of the federal government and takes advantage of this opportunity to renew in His Excellency an expression of his most special esteem.

(Signed) "BURIAN."

## INDICTED MAYOR DENIES CHARGES



Karl H. Keller, mayor of Toledo, has announced he will fight the indictment returned against him a few days ago, charging he received a high priced auto and \$300 from persons interested in contracts for restoring the Toledo fire department. He denies the charges.

## PORTSMOUTH FOR US

Washington, Jan. 1.—With a temperature of 24 degrees below zero, Lander, Wyo., is the coldest spot in the country.

Nothing Gained.

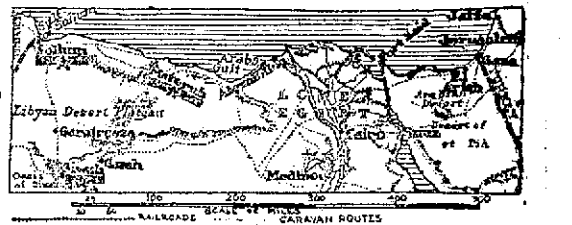
"What was the result of your petition to the lady for her to serve fewer oranges?"

"Negligible. You see, it simply got us more rhubarb."—Kansas City Journal.

## POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR ALLEGED FORGER

The police were furnished with a young man on duty at the time gave description Friday evening of a him \$3.50 cash in return for the stranger who had passed a worthless check, which was afterwards found to be forged. It was drawn on H. E. Mason and signed by Charles ticket, costing four dollars, and the Seymour.

## WHERE WILD SENUSSI TRIBESMEN ARE AIDING THE GERMAN THRUST AT EGYPT



## READING OF NEWSPAPERS IS DECLARED A DUTY

Hambrick, Prussia, Via London, village, as had been customary, and Jan. 1.—The court here has decided that the personal of newspapers is now a duty of citizens. Residents in a neighboring village sold a small quantity of wool, conformed to regulations and pleaded in self-defense the particular regulation was not pleaded in the day in jail.

## **Ironsides Make Clean Sweep, Take 3 From Corn Crackers**

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## WHY PEACE IS IMPOSSIBLE

If Germany, warned by the example of Napoleon, is now ready for peace, it is only a "victorious peace," a peace of her own sort. She recognizes that she has reached that point to which Napoleon came in 1809, when having made France great, he persisted in war and in consequence lost his throne, while his country lost his conquests and those of the revolution. But her enemies cannot make peace on any terms that are conceivable in the premises, for such a peace would spell ruin.

Even if Germany were prepared today to evacuate Belgium, cede Metz and the French-speaking districts of Lorraine to France, persuade or compel Austria to give up Trieste and the Trentino to Italy, Galicia to Russia, even if she were willing to surrender her African colonies to Britain, these nations could not and would not make peace, for even with these concessions Germany would still threaten the future of all her foes.

In Paris, in London, in Petrograd the conviction persists that if the war continues Germany will be unable to endure the terrific strain; that, inferior in population, wealth, resources, deprived of ocean trade, she will presently break down as did France in 1814, despite the splendor of Napoleonic victories and the greatness of imperial conquests. They believe that another year or two of war will bring home to the German people, as the Napoleonic wars brought home to the French, the fact that the conquest of Europe is impossible and that the price of pretending to be a supreme race is found in misery and death, in taxation and suffering, not in wealth, in happiness, or in glory.

The Allied economists and generals have figured it all out. They believe that for a price that the Allied nations are capable of paying and should pay, Germany can be defeated, worn down, brought to agree to a peace, like that France accepted at Vienna a hundred years ago, which left the France of 1789 intact and took away only the conquests of the Revolution and the Empire. Such a peace will not merely free Belgium and Northern France, but also Serbia. It will leave the Balkan nations free to develop without peril from without. It will abolish the peril to future peace which German supremacy at Constantinople possesses.

Some time in the next year the Allied statesmen and soldiers believe that the German machine will break down. They believe that the cost in life and treasure will be beyond the resources of one nation, which with weak and burdensome allies is facing four great powers and is deprived of communication from the outside world.

When that time comes the enemies of Germany are not now looking forward to a mutilation of Germany. They do not expect, any more, as they did a year ago, that Germany will fly into a dozen parts. A year has made clear that they are fighting a nation—not an emperor; and countering the dream of a people, not the conception of a few ambitious men. They do not expect, certainly not those who possess any semblance of reason, that the people of Germany will destroy their rulers or submit to outside interference with their internal life.

What the Allied statesmen and generals do believe is that the drying up of German resources in men and money will produce a German sentiment for peace—for peace which, aside perhaps from Alsace-Lorraine, may leave Germany intact, but will take from her all her Austrian, Balkan, and Russian conquests and leave her, as France was left after Napoleon fell, still great, but deprived of all that she had won in her bid for Continental supremacy.

It is in this spirit and with this purpose that the new year is opening. The struggle is clearly circumscribed now; and the issues, which will be settled, and having been settled, will give form and substance to Europe for another century, are beginning to appear. The question to be decided is the question of German supremacy in Austria, Poland and the Balkans. The fate of Belgium and France has been decided and the future of both is assured. Great Britain has not been scratched, and she has already gathered in most of Germany's overseas empire and swept the ocean of German ships and commerce.

We have passed from a war of conquest to a war of endurance. If Germany can outlast her great foes, she has won the war, not as she hoped to win it, for France and the British Isles are secure. But she has restored the German Empire of the Middle Ages in all its territorial grandeur, and she will be able to give to the world the strength and unity the ancient empire never possessed. If she can endure the attack until her enemies are exhausted, she will rule from Hamburg to Aden, from Schleswig-Holstein to Arabia, and her hall at St. Petersburg and the Persian Gulf need not be long—From "The War's Vast Horizons," by Frank H. Simmonds, in the American Review of Reviews for January, 1916.

How the glory of the mighty has fallen. The other day the equipment of "Wellert's," a once famous Cox gunnery resort, was put up at auction and the table about which Boss George B. Cox and his cabinet, with one especially favored lieutenant used to sit nightly and play the people of the burg as so many pawns, sold for a measly \$20, the chairs being thrown in for good measure. Days were when scores would have paid hundreds just to sit at that table once.

The man who stands on the First National Bank corner every day in the year, holidays included, says that for a New Year's resolution he has determined to take his stand at the curb and not discommode the traveling public by leaning up against the bank building, also he is going to quit looking downward to see whether or not the ladies who pass are wearing short skirts and fur topped coats.

Huntington, for a daily thrill, has the exploits of her booze squad to look up to. Thursday the "squad" captured five citizens on a passenger train, who literally exuded booze. They had counted on their persons 79 pint bottles of red eye. That is a sample of the work of the sleuths.

## CONGRESS COMMITTEE HAS PLAN TO EXTEND FARMERS' CREDIT; TO ASK LEGISLATION



Rural credits committee in session. Left to right around table: Senator Hollis, Representative Lever, Moss, Glass and Hawley, Senator Owen, and W. W. Flanagan, secretary of the committee.

A system of rural credits, designed to afford farmers financial loans on easy terms, has been worked out by the joint committee appointed by the last congress and will be reported to both houses when they reassemble. The tentative bill provides for a comprehensive farm mortgage credits system under the control and supervision of a land bank board of five members to be appointed by the president with the approval of the senate.

## EXPRESS DELIVERIES

There is much complaint over the arbitrary establishment of delivery zone lines in the city by the express companies. As it is now a person receiving a package by express cannot have it delivered to his residence unless he lives in the territory bounded on the east by Young street and on the north by Grant street. Residents to the east of Young street, or north of Grant street, must call at the express offices for their packages. Of course the local management of the express companies are not responsible for this, the rules being laid down by the foreign owners and managers of the companies. This should not be. It ought to be that any one living within the corporate limits of Portsmouth could have his express matter delivered to him, and if there is any possible way that this can be secured, either by making representation to the express managers or by city legislation, it should be done.

If the express companies will not concede this matter, as simple justice to our people, it might be possible by means of ordinance to compel them to do so. It should be borne in mind that the express companies are public utilities. They make their money through service to the people, and the people should receive the very best of service. On the other hand we have never heard of the management of an express company, and we are speaking not of the local employees, but of the outside owners and managers, identifying themselves in anyway with the growth or struggles of the city. They have never helped out in the raising of money nor in anything of that sort in which the future of the city is involved. Yet they are among the first to reap the harvest.

In this year of 1916 and ever after, we ought to have express matter delivered to any home within the corporate limits, and we ought also to have telegraph messages delivered in the same territory without additional cost.

In the period between August 15, 1914, and June 30, 1915, 330 vessels passed through the Panama canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific. During the same period 538 passed from the Pacific to the Atlantic. The cargo tonnage was 4,969,792. The canal is about ready to be reopened for traffic, the slide in Colobra cut having almost been removed.

We notice a lot of senators have begun prattling about the criminality of the president in placing us in a position where we may have to go to war with Austria; yet not long ago, these same prattlers were mouthing the president ought to rise up and boot Mexico clear off the earth. Size makes a mighty lot of difference with some braves.

We suppose that the papers that used to have hysterical fits because Mr. Bryan was paid by lecture bureaus for his talks on governmental problems consider perfectly all right, and a display of fine business judgment for Ex-President Taft to do the same thing.

Of course we know that she loves us just as much as ever, but still it is noted that our young niece, who was a daily caller at our office during December, when she was afraid that we would overlook the magnificent display of dolls, has not been around to see us since Saint Nick paid his visit.

We get the impression from reading this week's issue of the esteemed Peoples' Defender, of West Union, that it does approve very highly of the activities of Judge Blair. Anyway the Defender takes a column to expressing its own opinion in the matter.

Now you see, now you don't. One day Austria is going to be bellicose over the Ancona incident and the next she is showing a soulful yearning for peace.

Uncle Henry Ford's peace party has reached a legitimate base. It has been taken over by these eminent fun makers, Mr. Mutt and Mr. Jeff.

Now who knows? The Ohio may be playing a good part in these frequent and rapid flashes. For it is a thousand times better to have her waters come down at intervals rather than altogether.

Scioto county ought to build ten miles of paved road in 1916, but it looks like she will have to be satisfied with about five—and the half loaf here is surely better than none.

Roosevelt has declined until his presence in the newspapers is limited to the jibe of the paragrapher.

It is positively dreadful, or dreadful, positively, the way these Democratic times are out of joint. The mines of West Virginia had to lie idle all Christmas week so that the railroads could gather up enough cars to haul the coal away.

When we see a Market street store putting in a fine new front there can be no doubt whatsoever that the Peerless continues on the march upward.

Our good young Governor has remained for almost a month in a quiescent state. But when he outbreaks again there will be more noise for all that.

It doesn't take long for a newspaper to give a thing a name. Most everybody down here now calls it the Scioto Trail, but we wonder how it is beyond?

As yet no one has written Luke McLuke asking what has become of the old fashioned drinking fountains that used to adorn the Peerless.

Convicts in the Leavenworth penitentiary struck for more wholesome food and better working conditions and won. Think of that in Kansas, the queen of the Up-Lift!

One thing about this base ball peace is that it gives every remaining club heart to claim the championship next year.

According to frequent reports the fool who didn't know it was loaded is again at large.

The Peerless is nothing if not hospitable. A new doctor comes to town and an epidemic of grip meets him.

## Your Health

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## New Year's Resolutions

The season of generosity, good cheer, and new, good resolutions, is at hand. Following a long established custom it is the earnest and proper thing to start right and to keep right during the coming year.

For these reasons and the additional one that by keeping right great good will accrue to you and to all your friends you are urged to give your active and moral support to the following resolutions:

1. Recognizing that the stomach is the most important organ in "the department of the interior," I hereby resolve that its work shall be made easy and its burden light by moderate meals taken at regular intervals; that these meals shall be well masticated by sound teeth, in a mouth free from defects of every kind and that my food shall be a "well balanced ration" in order that it may perform the work for which it is taken with as little damage to my body as is possible.

2. Realizing that pure air is of the greatest importance in securing and maintaining good health and a maximum amount of physical and mental efficiency, I hereby resolve to work, sleep and take my recreation in an atmosphere as nearly like that found in "God's Out of Doors" as is possible; to refuse to patronize theaters, movie shows, lodge rooms, churches, schools or any other public place where those in authority refuse, or fail, to supply me with an unpolished atmosphere; to leave such places immediately.

3. Believing as I do that regular and temperate habits are conducive of good health, a long life and to human happiness and efficiency, I do hereby resolve that I will sleep at least eight hours out of each twenty-four; that I will leave the table before my appetite is dulled; that I will walk several miles in the open air every day; that I will avoid late hours and fatiguing forms of dissipation that break down the natural resistance of the body to disease and that I shall do all in my power to spread the gospel of disease prevention to other people.

4. Recognizing the beneficial influence upon health, exercised by consciousness of some kind act done, I resolve to let the sun set on no day that fails to record a kind act shown to some one less fortunate than I; to avoid marring the mind of any one with the scars left by acts of cruelty, extortion, persecution or other offense and that throughout the year I shall try to "do unto others as I would have them do unto me."

5. Feeling that one good resolution deserves another, I hereby resolve that the four preceding ones shall be adopted as a whole, not for a limited period of one year but for all time.

Make all the resolutions. For good that you may think. You need as your protection. From getting on the blink. And slumping in the New Year. As you have done of old. When, after painful trial. Your good resolves fell cold.

But make no resolution. To keep those you may have made. As braces for your conduct. In virtuous guise arrayed. For, if you do, you'll smash it. The first of all the batch. And as it goes so goeth. The whole darn shooting-match.

Happy New Year!

An Invariably Vital Spot. Akron Attorney asks \$25,000 damages from billionnaire who struck him in the presence of his family.—Akron (Ohio) Beacon Journal.

## A Sort of Wood Joiner

Mrs. Langdon Wood is visiting in Enfield, N. J., and will be joined by Mr. Wood for Christmas.—Buffalo (N. Y.) Courier.

## English As She is Wrote

Denmark is a little tongue of land hanging by its eyebrows.—Cincinnati Post.

The whiskers of Populism left their footprints in the sands of politics.—Kansas Exchange.

George Lemmerman, the butcher, captured a mice on Friday.—Star-News (Wis.) News.

## Splitting Hairs With the Belgians

For Sale—Seven months old pair

NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY.  
O'MEINTYRE.

New York, Jan. 1.—Robert Kohler, who left Mr. Keeley's Chicago Herd to become a star assignment man on the Tribune, was sent out the other evening to one of those annual banquets where a lot of prominent faces were to find away hours speaking that might be profitably spent at Kelly pool.

When Rhode arrived at the banquet hall in the Hotel Majestic he was not fit company for man or beast. He could have bitten one of the massive onyx pillars in two with nonchalance.

Seated with the rest of the newspaper boys at the press table, he spent his time hoping against hope that an ill-wind would waft the long and luxuriant whiskers of a guest over the flame of a lighted candle on the table. "It is only possible chance to make a story out of this," he muttered.

As his grinch grew, one of those flustering mules who always extends the gracious mitt at banquets began hovering about the press table. "In just dripped good nature. Turning to Rhode, he gurgled: 'I beg your pardon, Mr. Reporter, but have you a watch?'"

"I did have when I came in," snapped Rhode, and resumed his blasphemous benediction on banquets under his breath.

There has been opened at 293 Central Park West an institution which is quite remarkable in that it is a retreat for those addicted to liquor, cigarettes and drugs, and there are no locks or bars. The only conditions upon which patients are accepted are voluntary agreements.

They may leave at any time, day or night, without a restraining hand being lifted. The theory is that unless a person wants to be cured of pernicious habits no mode of treatment is effective.

In other words, they must be willing to meet the nurses and doctors half way. The institution has been endorsed by the American Medical Association.

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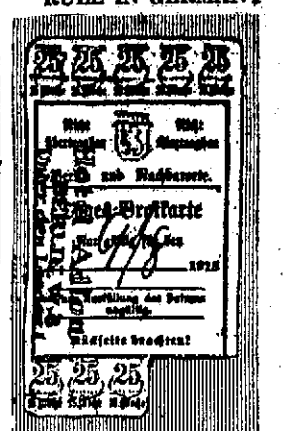
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READ BY TICKET  
RULE IN GERMANY

Bread tickets such as this are issued every day by the burgomasters of German cities, and they entitle each person to go to the bakery and receive 250 grams of bread. The color of the ticket is changed every day, so that there will be no danger of duplication.

of Belgian hairs. Rufus reads.—Ad. in Grand Rapids Press.

## Memories

Old fashioned elastic sleeve-holders. Bulldog shoes. Wristlets. Men's guitars. Disc music boxes. Niagara Falls transparencies. Wax flowers. Oil fashioned mustard plasters. Vases of the world's fair. Initials on the shirt sleeves. Rinceaus with capes. Crullers.

## A Real Hero

The modern girl's idea of a "real hero" is getting to be just a plain over-day man, who pays his rent, keeps his hair cut, does his work and loves his wife.—Akron Beacon Journal.

## Queer

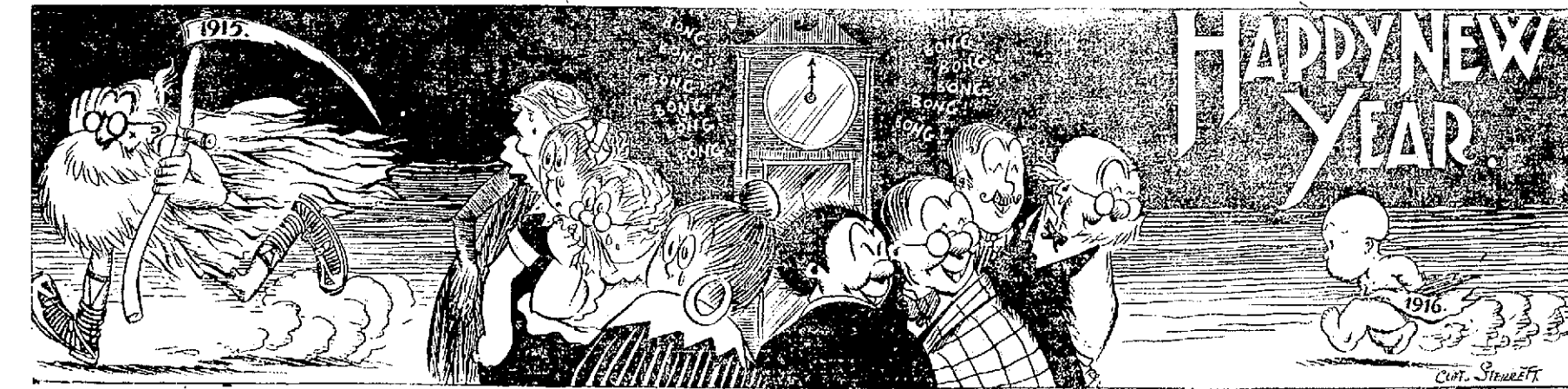
"He's queer."  
"So?"  
"Yes. He actually uses the various necktie holders he gets for Christmas."—Detroit Free Press.

## And He's a Real Estate Man, Too

Because she sometimes talks for three hours without ceasing, John H. Corcoran, former official of Marietta county, began spit in this city for divorce from his wife, Mary K. Corcoran.

Lately Corcoran was in the real estate business in Mercer county, and he sets forth in the complaint that his better half often interfered with sales. At times when he did not notice when the verbal outpourings began Corcoran says his wife would fall exhausted from the vocal operation.—San Francisco Star, New York Sun.

## POLLY AND HER PALS



## THIS GOES FOR YOU ALL!



# 1916 BABY ARRIVES AND HIS NAME IS BARBER

Portsmouth's first 1916 baby, a bright little male, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Barber, 1316 Union street, New Year's morning at 12:15 o'clock. That gracious bird, known as the stork, was charged to the happy home by Dr. G. W. Martin, and hardly had the echoes of the steam whistles and clanging bells which announced the birth of the New Year died away than the

little son came to bless the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius McCauley, 1515 Robinson avenue. The father is employed as pressman at The Times office. Early Saturday morning, Mrs. Daniel Happer, 1524 Twelfth street, called at the Times office with a fine pair, woven with her own hands; that she will present to Mrs. Barber. The Ohio Valley Bank will give \$1.00 to the first deposit in the Century Savings Club.

St. Straus, with the spirit that should permeate every heart on the gladsome New Year, added a suit of clothes for the little fellow. Mr. Straus had already gone on the gift list with a pair of shoes for Dad, Flora Dellert, Second street milliner, will give a pretty sweater cap to the baby. Mrs. William Mays, grocer at

Bront and Bond streets, has crocheted a cap for the baby. Emma Barber McEadden will donate her services. Mrs. Frank Eakins, Sciotoville, will give a box of Meunier's Talcum powder and two pairs of booties for the baby. Mrs. John Brusser, Sciotoville, will give a cap for the baby. S. O. Cook, photographer, will

make one dozen post-card photos of the pretty little boy. Dr. G. W. Martin, who espoused the stork, has donated his professional services, an act that will be deeply appreciated by Mr. and Mrs. Barber. The father is a hard-working young man, being employed at the Selby Shoe Co., and Dr. Martin is to be congratulated upon his thoughtfulness. All the above gifts were

donated Thursday evening and Friday morning, and bring the total number of gifts to fifty-eight. William Peerless Brown, Portsmouth's first 1915 baby, was the recipient of thirty-one gifts. The Barber baby will fare much better than little William Peerless, whose advent into this world was made a most happy occasion.

# MAYOR KAPS IS NOW HEAD OF CITY GOVERNMENT

## TAKES OATH OF OFFICE; TRANSFER WITHOUT FRILLS

Promptly at the customary hour of nine o'clock, the city government after two years of Democratic rule passed into the hands of Republicans New Year's morning.

Simplicity, which is to be a marked characteristic of Mayor H. H. Kaps' method of administering affairs, was the outstanding feature of the transfer of offices and the large crowd that had commenced gathering long before the appointed hour perhaps felt a two-fold disappointment, namely a lack of oratory and the fact that the new executive dispensed with the formality of holding police court for the first time.

It was exactly 8:30 o'clock when Mr. Kaps, accompanied by his cabinet, Service Director Ralph Calvert and Safety Director E. K. S. Clinkenbeard, arrived at headquarters. They came in Sheriff E. W. Smith's automobile. Closely following were a number who are to hold minor positions under the new administration, then came persons who were particular supporters of Mr. Kaps during his campaigns. A box of cigars from a Cincinnati firm addressed to Mayor Kaps in care of the court house, was brought in by a messenger and this became the signal for a good-natured scramble. Pete Smith felt it belonged to the court house but the irrepressible Turnkey Joe Stokley, intercepted it and it still safely reposes in the new mayor's desk.

### Buy Your Bread From Jake Pfau

One of Mr. Kaps' first orders was given to Officer Stokley. He directed that he at once begin buying all bread needed for the police station from Baker Jake Pfau. Joe asked him where to buy the prison sausage. The new mayor inquired as to who had been supplying it in the past and when told it was Adam Giesler & Co., gave the word to continue the arrangement.

Mayor Adam Frick did not reach the office until a few minutes before nine o'clock. Safety Director John Linck preceded him by a moment or two. Mr. Frick wore a conventional black suit and pleasantly greeted everybody as he pushed his way through the crowd, wishing one and all a Happy New Year.

Mr. Kaps learning that there had been but one arrest over night, a strange negro who was too drunk to tell his name, ordered the prisoner liberated.

Mr. Frick turning to Service Director Calvert told him that he had one final request to make. He said rains had caused slides on Damann Hill to cover the sidewalk on the north side of Gallia pike and that children would be forced to use the street Monday unless the earth was cleared up. He asked that it be given immediate attention. This Mr. Calvert promised to do.

"Well, I'm ready," exclaimed Mr. Kaps as he noticed the crowd growing impatient. He and Mr. Frick took up position behind the rail enclosure as the crowd pushed into the court room, taking up every inch of available space. Mr. Frick administered the oath of office to his successor. That over he shook hands with the new mayor, congratulating him and expressing the hope that the Lord would give him light to clearly see and the power, wisdom and strength to carry on the duties of his office, then wished him success and a prosperous New Year. In conclusion he remarked "I wish you one and all the most of success. I wish everybody an abundant amount of success and with this I pass out. Dismiss the fact from your mind that I have been an official and greet me as we meet on the streets as a citizen. I will do for you what is in

my power." As he filed through the room there were a chorus of good-byes. He raised his hands in protest, exclaiming "No I won't say good-bye, at all, for I expect to remain right here."

Mr. Kaps briefly thanked the mayor for his kind remarks. His first official act was to swear in Henry Clark as chief of police. He then held an informal reception, everybody pressing forward to shake his hand. The first person to congratulate him was Druggist Dan Thomas, closely followed by Attorneys Nate Gilliland and Geo. Sheppard and Harzel Evans.

## CHINESE MINISTER'S WIFE NEWEST ACQUISITION TO CAPITAL SOCIETY



Mrs. Vi Kylin Wellington Koo. Mrs. Vi Kylin Wellington Koo is the latest acquisition to the diplomatic circle of the national capital. Her husband, Dr. Koo, is the newly appointed minister to the United States from China and is now established in the legation in Washington. His wife, the former minister, is to sail for the Orient at the end of January.

## Expect To Enroll 500 Trap Shooters

Chicago, Jan. 1.—(Continued from page 3.) The National American Trap Shooters' Association, which is actually a sports to enroll a hundred thousand shooters, will meet today. The purpose of the new organization is to promote the sport of amateur shooting through the country without regard to affiliation with powder or shot manufacturers. W. A. Davis of Chicago was elected president of the association. "How is it that this big association is stuck to that little rule women like to see?" "I suppose she has a man in her eye for his own wife," said an American.

# RIVER ALMOST 47 FEET

## SALLY, THE BRUTE, KICKS WIFE IN FACE; SKIPS OUT

At 9:45 Saturday morning the Ohio river here, according to Local River Observer Harry Donnelly, stated that the Ohio was rising at the rate of approximately half an inch an hour and that the gauge showed a stage of 46.6. On account of New Year's Mr. Donnelly says he will probably not receive a report from up river points today. He stated that Forecaster Deveraux, of Cincinnati states that the Ohio river would probably reach a stage of 47 feet here.

Acute Indigestion. Acute indigestion is a catarrh of the lining mucous membrane of the stomach caused by food which is indigestible or has begun to decompose. This condition is very favorable to the growth of disease germs.

Police rained scoured the city Friday night for Ed Sally, who had brutally beaten up his wife at their home in the East End. The assault followed a "beer can" rushing Sally had made. A sister-in-law is said to have concealed the bucket and Sally accused his wife of the deed. He flew into a rage and she fled from the home, but stumbled and fell from the porch. Sally was upon her in an instant and beat and kicked her unmercifully. Her face was badly disfigured and her clothes bespattered with blood when she appeared at police headquarters, where she signed an affidavit against her husband. He, it was reported, skipped to Kentucky. Sally is out on parole from the Mansfield Reformatory, having returned home only a short time ago. His wife was married before and has two children by her former marriage and claimed Sally does nothing towards their support.

# John Barleycorn Laid To Rest In Western States & Pacific Slope

At midnight the following states entered the dry column: Iowa, Colorado, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Arkansas, South Carolina. Those already dry were as follows: Georgia, Maine, Kansas, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, West Virginia.

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—No exceptional or unseasonably scenes marked New Year's Eve in the cities of the Far West and Pacific Slope.

Reports that the imminence of state-wide prohibition in Oregon, Washington and Idaho would precipitate carnivals of drunkenness were not substantiated. Portland, Oregon, reported the supply of intoxicants nearly bought up by noon. In Seattle, whiskey leaped in price when it was found to be running short. Beer, however, was plentiful, stocks having been laid in with the provision that what was unsold might be returned to the breweries. Much of Idaho already was dry and the new law, effective today, made no disturbance of note.

At Portland, Oregon, New Year's Eve revelers began early to make the most of their final opportunity to buy liquor. Grills were crowded as early as 6 o'clock and from that hour on merriment and hilarity reigned.

Some saloons ran entirely out of stock early in the evening. Others which had only one or two brands of liquor left kept open and served it out indiscriminately to all customers, regardless of what drink was ordered.

Millions Spent. At Seattle all the saloons did a large business. There was no lack of beer anywhere, but, in spite of all saloonkeepers, who had sold all their spirituous drinks, were unable to replenish their stocks at the wholesale houses yesterday, and the variety of beverages in some saloons was limited. It was estimated that in the fifteen days ending at noon yesterday a million dollars had been spent in Seattle for liquor, wrapped in packages to be carried home.

At Spokane police were stationed in front of saloons and cafes to guard against infractions of the new prohibition law.

At Denver tonight thousands paraded the streets in a carnival of merry making, celebrating until midnight the passing of "John Barleycorn" and the old year.

## KITCHENER AND GREY ATTEND WAR COUNCIL OF THE ALLIES IN PARIS



Lord Kitchener (left) and Sir Edward Grey leaving for council in Paris. On his way back from the Dardanelles, where Lord Kitchener, the British minister of war, decided to withdraw the British forces from the Gallipoli peninsula, he, in company with Sir Edward Grey, the British minister of foreign affairs, attended the war council of the allies, held in Paris. The photograph shows Lord Kitchener and Sir Edward Grey leaving their hotel in Paris for the French ministry of foreign affairs.

## KAISER'S NEW YEARS GREETING TO MEN

London, January 1.—The Amsterdam correspondent of Reuters Telegram Company says that Emperor William, according to a dispatch from Berlin, has sent the following New Years address to the army, the navy and the colonial troops:

"Comrades: Another year of severe fighting has elapsed. Wherever a superior number of enemies have stormed our lines they have failed before your loyalty and bravery. Wherever I have sent you into battle you have gained a glorious victory. Thankfully we remember today above all our brethren who joyfully gave their blood to gain security for our beloved at home and imperishable glory for the Fatherland. What they have begun we shall accomplish with God's gracious help.

"In impotent madness enemies from the west and east, from the north and south still seek to deprive us of all that makes life worth living. They long ago buried the hope to conquer us in honest fighting. On the weight of their masses, the starvation of our entire people, on the influence of their campaign of calumny, which is as mischievous as it is malicious, they believe they can still reckon. Their plans will not succeed. Before the spirit of determination which underlies the army and those at home their hopes will be miserably disappointed. With a will to discharge the duty to the fatherland to the last breath and determination to secure victory, we enter the new year with God for the protection of the Fatherland and for Germany's greatness."

## VISITS TO PLACES OF INTEREST ARRANGED FOR FORD PEACE DELEGATION

Copenhagen, via London, Jan. charter a small vessel at a cost of \$50,000 and sail direct from Copenhagen next Wednesday for the Hague where they will arrive three days later.

The Ford Peace Expedition will sail from Copenhagen next Wednesday for the Hague where they will arrive three days later.

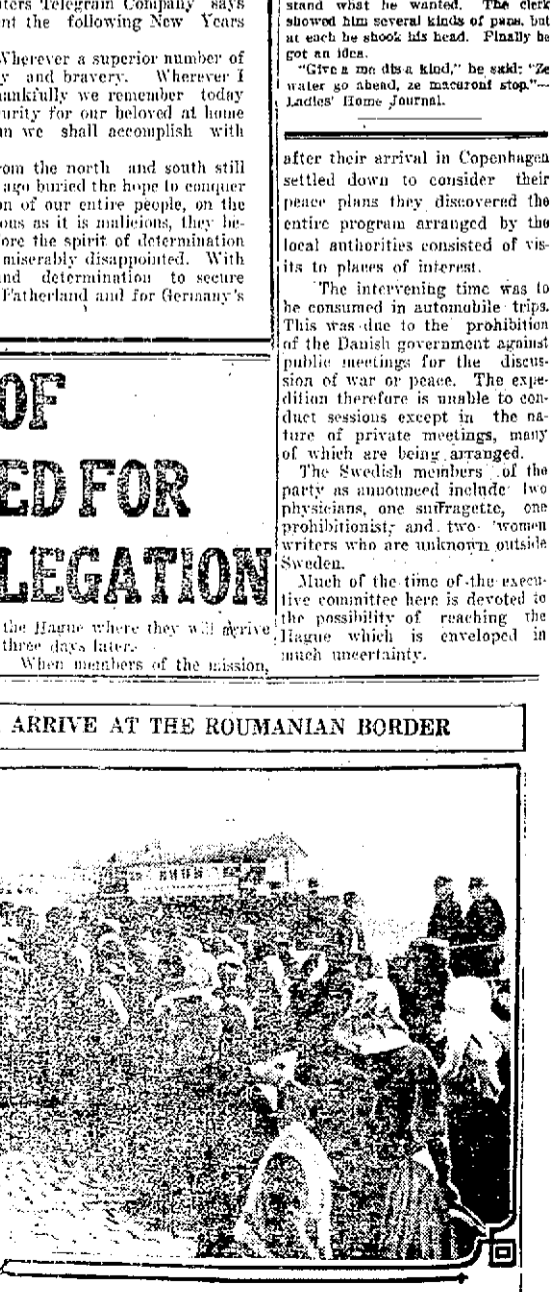
When members of the mission, after their arrival in Copenhagen settled down to consider their peace plans they discovered the entire program arranged by the local authorities consisted of visits to places of interest.

The intervening time was to be consumed in automobile trips. This was due to the prohibition of the Danish government against public meetings for the discussion of war or peace. The expedition therefore is unable to conduct sessions except in the nature of private meetings, many of which are being arranged.

The Swedish members of the party as announced include two physicians, one suffragette, one prohibitionist and two women writers who are unknown outside Sweden.

Much of the time of the executive committee here is devoted to the possibility of reaching the Hague which is enveloped in much uncertainty.

## SERBIAN REFUGEES, PANIC STRICKEN, ARRIVE AT THE ROUMANIAN BORDER



Serbian refugees arriving at Severin, Rumania, near border. The plight of poor Serbia and her people is said to be even more frightful than that of Belgium. The old men, the peasant women and children fled before the invading Teuton and Magyar hosts across the Rumanian border into Severin, Rumania, the photograph showing them arriving at that place. The Austrian consul tried to induce the refugees to return to Serbia, promising that they would not be molested and would be paid seven francs a day by the Germans if they went to work digging trenches. About 700 returned, but the promise was not kept. Instead they were sent to Austria as prisoners of war.